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Moscow's Blow At British Diplomacy

Herr Hitler

Pact With Berlin Upsets London And Paris

Parliament To Meet To-morrow: Special Powers For Govt.

But U. S. Sees "Silver Lining" And Views Situation As Not So Catastrophic

GERMAN ARMY READY TO MARCH

THE British Parliament will meet to-morrow when both Houses will pass through all stages an Emergency Powers Defence Bill to place the Government in a position to take any necessary measures without delay, should the situation require.—

The news of the impending conclusion of a Non-Aggression Pact between Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany has created a flutter in the Capitals of the world where shocked surprise was the first reaction. Stock markets remained standstill with no dealing whatsoever, while cessation of the Anglo-Franco-Soviet talks now proceeding in Moscow was even talked about as a likely development. Later comments, however, are more optimistic and Moscow's assurance that its Pact with Germany is not incompatible with the Three-Power talks for a mutual defence alliance has restored some amount of confidence.

NOT SO CATASTROPHIC

Washington which has recovered from the first shock, sees "a silver lining in the Soviet-Nazi Pact which is now considered to be "not quite so catastrophic". The effect of the Pact will be a set-back to Japanese aggression in China where Moscow will be able to take a firmer attitude. While this is welcomed, it is regretted that the Pact will be blow to British Diplomacy which Roosevelt has been supporting.

NAZI HOPES

Herr von Ribbentrop is flying to Moscow as plenipotentiary of Hitler. When he gets there "developments are likely to come thick and fast", says a Berlin cable. The Nazis anticipate that "the conclusion and signature of the Non-Aggression Pact will be only a matter of hours and once it is signed, Germany's next step may follow in any minute".

"Thursday, on this reckoning, may prove a big day in European history. There is reason to think that midnight to-day (Tuesday), Germany's army will be absolutely ready to move at a moment's notice."

But a Moscow report says that it will be some time before the Pact is signed.

PARLIAMENT TO MEET

In Britain and France much diplomatic activity is evident. The respective Cabinets have met. Both Houses of the British Parliament may meet to-morrow due to pressure from Opposition parties. But the French Parliament will not meet.

The French Press sees in the Pact the end of the Anti-Comintern Pact and describes the move as a spectacular diplomatic manoeuvre of Herr Hitler to save his face from a tragical withdrawal from the peril he had created for himself.

BITTER LESSON FOR JAPAN

Japanese reaction is very bitter. According to observers Japan has learned a bitter lesson on the spiritual bond of the Anti-Comintern Pact and that there is no weight in Herr Hitler's realistic policies. The new development has necessitated a complete reversal of Japan's policy towards the European situation.

Stock Market Stunned

LONDON, August 22

The news of the German-Soviet agreement came as a profound surprise to the Stock Market where it is considered it will necessitate a complete reassessment of the situation.

Consequently practically all prices are nominal and quotations were widened as a precautionary measure. Jobbers and brokers are reluctant to deal pending some clarification of the position.

It is noteworthy that the investing public is remaining calm as no selling pressure is visible.

ON FOREIGN EXCHANGES

In common with the Stock Exchange, other sections in the City express the opinion that the latest developments in the international situation call for calm reconsideration.

The City's traditional calm, however, is not fully shared by certain Continental Centres which is reflected on both Foreign Exchanges and Gold Markets.

The recent rather heavy demand for dollars from the Continent was accentuated this morning, but the British Exchange fund kept a firm grip on the Sterling Dollar Rate at 4.6812.—Reuter.

PARLIAMENT TO MEET TO-MORROW?

LONDON: The Cabinet met at 14.00 G.M.T.

Following strong representations by both Opposition Parties, there is a strong possibility that both the Houses of Parliament will meet on Thursday.

As far as is known in London, the Franco-British talks in Moscow are continuing but "Reuter's" Moscow correspondent reports that:

THERE WAS NO MEETING OF MILITARY EXPERTS THIS MORNING.

The Cabinet meeting ended at 17-20 G.M.T. having lasted three hours and twenty minutes and concluded its deliberations for the day.

The demeanour of the Ministers as they left Number Ten was cheerful and a dense crowd in Downing Street cheered individual Ministers, especially the Fighting Services Ministers.

There was considerable diplomatic activity in Whitehall during the day, prior to the Cabinet meeting. Lord Halifax and Sir Alexander Cadogan saw the Prime Minister at Ten Downing Street at 11-40 a.m. where they were later joined by Sir Robert Vansittart.

Lord Halifax and Sir Alexander Cadogan left Number Ten at 13-10. Dr. Kordt, German Charge d'Affaires, called at the Foreign Office at 13-00 and the Japanese Ambassador called there at 17-00. —Reuter

FRANCE TO RECALL MOSCOW MISSION

PARIS: The Cabinet met this afternoon to consider the international situation.

According to several Ministers, the Cabinet will decide whether or not to recall the French military Mission in Moscow.

CALLERS AT FOREIGN OFFICE

As in London, there has been much diplomatic activity.

M. Bonnet received the British Charge d'Affaires, and other callers on the Foreign Minister included the Polish Ambassador and the Rumanian Ambassador who arrived in Paris from Bucharest yesterday.

While the greatest reserve is being maintained in diplomatic circles owing to the absence of definite information, attention is being drawn to the fact that the conclusion of a plain Non-Aggression Pact between Germany and Russia would not change in a marked degree, the juridical relations between them; these being already bound by the Treaties of 1926.

THREE-POWER TALKS TO CONTINUE?

The publicity given in the German Press is thought in Paris to show that German leaders attach essentially a psychological importance to the event and are seeking to include it in their campaign of intimidation.

It is also thought that the Three-Power negotiations in Moscow will continue.—Reuter.

A PEACE MOVE!

LONDON:—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent understands that the Soviet view is that the proposed Pact between the Soviet and Germany need not necessarily affect the Three-Power negotiations now proceeding in Moscow.

The Pact is considered as a move toward peace in Europe. It is pointed out that the Pact is not an aggressive alliance and that similar Pacts have been concluded with other Powers by the Soviet.

Previous Non-Aggression Pacts such as that with Poland contained a Clause in which it was stated that should one of the contracting Powers start an aggressive action against a third party, then the other Power would have the right to denounce the Pact without a warning.

IT MAY TAKE TIME

MOSCOW:—In competent quarters it is believed unlikely that the Pact will be signed immediately on Herr von Ribbentrop's arrival as Berlin messages suggest.

A further indication is contained in a Tass Agency statement that Herr von Ribbentrop is "coming to Moscow to conduct necessary talks and these may require some time."

SHOCK TO SOVIET CITIZENS.

None of the newspaper comment on Herr von Ribbentrop's visit. The news came as a shock to Soviet citizens and to foreign observers who are unable to hazard a guess as to the possible effects of the new Pact on the Three Power negotiations.—Reuter.

Not Incompatible With Defensive Alliance

MOSCOW, Aug. 22.

Well informed Soviet quarters this afternoon expressed the conviction that the Soviet-German Non-Aggression Pact would not be incompatible with the projected defensive alliance between Soviet, Britain and France.

The statement is regarded by competent observers as of highest significance, indicating the Soviet Government's intention and desire to continue the Three-Power Anti-Aggression talks.—Reuter.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain

WHAT PACT MEANS

ROME:—Soviet Russian circles in Rome forecast that the proposed German-Russian Pact will provide that either side will have the right to denounce the Pact if the other commits an aggression.

Other Clauses will probably contain undertakings that neither side will attack the other and remain neutral if the other is a victim of aggression.—Reuter.

Josef Stalin
Chief Commissar, Soviet Union

MAINTENANCE OF PEACE

Basis Of Oslo Powers' Conference Explained

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 22.

Before he left for Brussels to attend the Oslo Powers Conference, M. Andler emphasised that the international situation was clearly serious.

M. Sandler indicated that the basis of the Brussels discussions would be the general interest of the participating countries in the maintenance of peace; their wish to make themselves independent of the powerful groups in Europe and the necessity in time of tension to adopt reserved moderation.—Reuter.

SWITZERLAND INVITED

BRUSSELS, Aug. 22.

Switzerland, though not a member, has been invited to the Oslo Powers' Conference.—Reuter.

DEFENCE OF DUTCH EAST INDIES

BATAVIA, Aug. 22.

The National Council adopted a motion by forty votes to fifteen for the reinforcement of the defence of Netherlands Indies.—Reuter.

LEAVE OF ALL MEN IN AIR UNITS CANCELLED

HAGUE, Aug. 22.

The Government have cancelled the leave of all men in Frontier and Coastal Air Defence Units until further notice.—Reuter.

THIRD TEST

Records Smashed At Oval

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JAPAN DISILLUSIONED

TOKYO:—Informed Japanese quarters are not altogether surprised at the news of the proposed German-Soviet Pact. Although it is too early to sum up the reaction of the Japanese masses, observers say that Japan at any rate has learned a bitter lesson on the spiritual bond of the anti-Comintern Pact and that there is no weight in Herr Hitler's realistic policies.

Mr. Hiranuma and Mr. Itagaki had an important talk regarding the situation.

MASTERSTROKE FOR HITLER

Official quarters decline to comment on the proposed Pact, but well-informed quarters describe it as a masterstroke for Herr Hitler who is now in a position to secure a bloodless settlement of the Danzig issue.

According to newspaper com-

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Nazi-Soviet Pact Will Not Alter Position

British Obligations To Poland Stand: Cabinet Decision

LONDON, August 22.

IT is officially announced that the Cabinet decided that any German-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact would in no way affect their obligation to Poland.—Reuter.

NO CHANGE OF ATTITUDE TOWARDS POLAND?

PARIS, August 22.

The "Petit Journal" declares that the possibility of such a Pact had been seen for a long time and on many occasions. In the absence of details official circles in Paris are abstaining from all comment, although the announcement as in London caused the greatest surprise.

New development has concentrated attention on to-day's Cabinet meetings in Paris and London.

In political circles it is not believed that the Pact will change in any way the Anglo-French attitude towards Poland.—Reuter.

PEACE FRONT SURE OF VICTORY

WARSAW, August 22.

Newspaper comments show that public opinion is quiet and confident. "Wieczor Warszawski" says: "The countries of the Peace Front are confident in their political, military and economic strength and calmly await further events. France, Britain and Poland are not afraid of a conflict and are sure of victory."—Reuter.

Polish Complaints

WARSAW, Aug. 22.

Newspapers to-day are full of charges against the Germans of the ill-treatment of the Poles. Numerous Poles—German citizens of Polish nationality—are reported to have been arrested in various parts of Germany.

Another report says that the German authorities have closed the Polish libraries at Oppeln, Beuthen and other places. Various Polish institutions and private premises were searched by the police for Polish books all of which were confiscated.

Poland has several times expressed her view that she did not reckon on Soviet help and considered her present relations with the Soviet—based on the old Non-aggression Pact, and other pacts with the Soviet defining aggression and on normal good neighbourly relations with the Soviet—to be sufficient.

Poland's attitude as regards Danzig, according to well-informed Polish political circles is not affected by the news of the impending pact.

M. Lipski, the Polish Ambassador in Berlin, flew to Warsaw to-day to consult his Government. —Reuter.

POLISH ADVICE TO BRITISH RESIDENTS

WARSAW, Aug. 22.

It is stated that the advice to British residents is applied especially to those who in any case intended shortly to return to England.

The reason given is that communications in the west may be disturbed, consequently the people who intended to leave at a later date might experience a considerable delay on their journey.—Reuter.

Dr. Frank Enumerates Five Reasons

BERLIN, August 22.

"To-day a greater German Reich is prepared, capable and determined to enforce the right of Danzig, of which it is deprived, to belong to the joint German Fatherland," declared Dr. Frank, President of the Academy of German Right at Zoppot, when addressing a rally of German lawyers.

Dr Frank enumerated five reasons why Germany did not regard the Articles of the Versailles Treaty regarding Danzig as valid:

One, the Versailles Treaty had no legal validity;

Two, a body of allied and Associated Powers no longer existed.

Three, Germany did not recognise the League of Nations;

Four, taking over Danzig did not infringe on Polish sovereignty; and

Five, the Danzig population had long ago decided to belong to the Reich.—Reuter.

Sensational Speech From Hitler Expected

WARSAW, AUG. 21.

WELL-INFORMED CIRCLES DECLARE THAT THE SITUATION HAS INCREASED THE GRAVITY AND THAT A CRISIS MIGHT BE EXPECTED TOWARDS THE END OF THE WEEK.

The Polish press especially, considering the virulence of German propaganda, is remarkably restrained.

The Berlin correspondent of the "Gazetapolska" forecasts that Herr Hitler's speech at Tannenberg on August 27 will be a sensational one but "Whether it will contain a reasonable reply to the Polish memorandum of May 5 or consist of burning all bridges and bring things to an acute crisis is not known. However, knowing Herr Hitler's mentality the latter course seems more likely."

The newspaper "Dobri Wieczor" speculates on whether Herr Hitler could withdraw and says that "It is precisely under the German Nazi regime that the German leader can withdraw.

"Not long ago Herr Hitler risked taking a very unpopular step in the Tyrol question; now he can do something which would make him popular in Germany, namely, give up the idea of a war.

'However, we must reckon with every eventuality and for this reason Poland and her allies are ready."—Reuter.

PURSUIT 'PLANES RUSH TO DANZIG

DANZIG, Aug. 22.

Pursuit 'planes are arriving hourly at the airport. A large number of omnibuses has been requisitioned and taken off streets, through which many heavy military six-wheel lorries are constantly passing.—Reuter.

COUNT CSAKY CALLS IT HOLIDAY

BUDAPEST, August 22.

Count Csaky again described his visit to Germany and Italy as a holiday.

He added "Fortunately we have friends in all countries. I like to remind those friends and their Governments that in the whole of the thousand years of its history Hungary in all circumstances has placed its national honour above everything. This is appreciated by its powerful neighbours who know that an independent and strong Hungary is a necessary factor for the peace of Central Europe"

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By Order of His Worship the Mayor,
S. N. DAMLE,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 22nd August, 1939.
875.

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HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.

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Ex parte: LEELARAM RAMDAS: ..... Petitioning Creditor.

On the 21st day of August, 1939, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtors Insolvents.

Dated this 21st day of August, 1939.

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Insolvency Registrar.
876.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

SUIT NO. 1589 OF 1936.

Messrs. JAMNADAS PARBHUDAS & CO., a firm ..... Plaintiffs.
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STRUGGLE LOOMING AHEAD

Prepare For Action, Says Forward Bloc Secretary

Pt. Vishwambhar Dayal Tripathi, M.L.A., Secretary, All-India Forward Bloc and member of the All-India Left Consolidation Committee has issued the following statement:—

The Left Consolidation Committee consisting of all the Left parties and radical elements in the Congress has decided to celebrate the 'National Struggle Week' from August 31 to September 6, 1939. It is needless to emphasise the urgent necessity of mobilising the masses for the coming struggle that looms ahead. According to the National Demand resolution passed at the Tripuri Congress, the potentialities of the Provincial Autonomy are well-nigh exhausted, and we have to launch an aggressive struggle against British Imperialism' in the near future. With this end in view we have to prepare the country for a final life and death struggle and have to mobilize all our strength in order to resist war preparation, to wage an uncompromising battle against the unwanted Federation and to prepare the country for the early resumption of the struggle for Purna Swaraj. For this purpose we have to rally all anti-Imperialist forces on one platform and march ahead. The Kisan Sabha has already fixed September 1 as the All-India Kisan Day. The Left Consolidation Committee will soon issue detailed instructions as to the manner in which this week should be celebrated.

I trust that all Congressmen particularly those belonging to the Forward Bloc, Communist Party, Congress Socialist Party, Kisan Sanghs, Labour Unions, Youth Leagues and Students' Unions of the United Provinces and elsewhere will observe this week in a fitting manner and show to the world that the country is fully prepared for the early resumption of a struggle against British Imperialism.

Special emphasis should be laid on the popularization of the National Demand resolution referred to above and on the need of Unity amongst all revolutionary forces in the country.

A new Hindi weekly is going to be started from Unao (U.P.) under the editorship of Pt. Vishwambhar Dayal Tripathi, M.A., LL., M.L.A., Secretary, All-India Forward Bloc. It will be the official organ of the Forward Bloc and is intended to serve the entire Hindi-speaking area of the country—particularly United Provinces, Mahakoshal, Bihar, Rajputana, Delhi and Punjab. Its first issue will come out on 31st August, 1939, i.e., on the first day of the 'National Struggle Week, which is going to be celebrated throughout India under the auspices of the All-India Left Consolidation Committee. The annual subscription of the paper will be Rs. 4. Shri Subhas Chandra Bose, Swami Sahajanand, Shri Kama Shri Sardar Sardul Singh Kaveeshar, Lala Shankar Lal and a number of other left-wing leaders have agreed to become its patrons and to favour it with the contributions.

Oil Workers' Union Recognised

Mr. G. J. Mane, General Secretary of the Bombay Oil Workers Union, Bombay has issued the following to the Press:—

"I am glad to bring to the notice of the oil workers of the City of Bombay that the Union of the workers is registered under the name of the Bombay Oil Workers Union.

For the time being the members of the Union mostly come from the Standard Vacuum Oil Company and a few others from other oil companies operating in the city.

It is unnecessary for me to bring to the notice of the workers that they should now rally round and strengthen the organisation to ameliorate their condition and to fight for their rights and privileges. I therefore appeal to the workers working in the different oil companies and oil mills of the City to join the Union in their hundreds.

The head office of the Union is Wahedina Mansion, Jerbai Wadia Road, Parel, Bombay.

I may add here for the information of the public that the Managing Committee of the Union has sactioned Rs. 10 as contributions for the workers of Digboi workers of the Assam Oil Co.

Railwaymen's Demands

CALCUTTA, Aug. 21.

In pursuance of the decision of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation, a mass meeting was held at Kanchrapara this afternoon to observe the All-India Railway Workers' Demand Day, when a resolution was adopted supporting the demand of the Federation regarding provident fund, and pledging support to all future actions that may have been taken by the Federation in getting the demands of workers fulfilled.—United Press.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

(IN FORCE FROM APRIL 1, 1939).

Arrivals at and Departures from Victoria Terminus.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9 15	20 45
Madras Mail	6 00	22 00
Peshawar Lucknow (Exp.)	6 15	23 00
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	7 51	17.40
Madras Express	10 15	14 50
Poona Mail	10 30	17 50
Punjab Mail	11 40	18 45
Nagpur Express	14 05	21 25
Poona Fast (Pass.)	16 50	11 50
Poona Express	19 52	8 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	7 00
Deccan Queen (on Fridays only)	—	17 15
Deccan Qn. (on Mondays only)	10 55	—

B. B. & C. I. Railway

Time-table in force from April 1, 1939.

Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 33	13 50
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
	(Mon.)	(Sat.)
*The Flying Ranee Surat	9 48	15 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat	10 58	18 03
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	18 45	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 33	9 25

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday this train will run on Tuesday.

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER.

	Arr.
Frontier Mail (on Saturday only for Homeward Passengers)	5 40

AIR SERVICES

The following air mail time table is in force in Bombay:—

London—Bombay via Poona.

Planes call at Karachi, Bhuj, Ahmedabad and Poona.

Arrival at Poona: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1 p.m.

Delivery in Bombay: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 a.m. and Sunday at 12-30 p.m.

Bombay via Poona—London.

Planes call at Ahmedabad, Bhuj and Karachi.

Latest hours of posting at the G. P. O. Bombay; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 6-30 p.m.

Bombay via Poona—Colombo.

Planes call at Hyderabad, Madras and Trichinopoly.

Latest hours of posting at the G. P. O. Bombay; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 7-15 a.m.

Colombo—Bombay via Poona.

Delivery in Bombay: Monday at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday at 6 p.m.

Bombay via Poona and Calcutta—Singapore—Australia

Latest hours of posting: Sunday, Monday and Thursday 6-30 p.m.

Australia—Bombay via Poona and Calcutta

Delivery: Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday 11 a.m.

Bombay via Poona and Calcutta—Hongkong, China and Japan

Latest hour of posting Monday and Thursday 6-30 p.m.

Hongkong—Bombay

Delivery: Tuesday and Saturday 11 a.m.

The air services of the Air Services of India, Ltd., between Bombay and Kathiawar and between Bombay, Poona and Kolhapur have been suspended on account of the monsoon.

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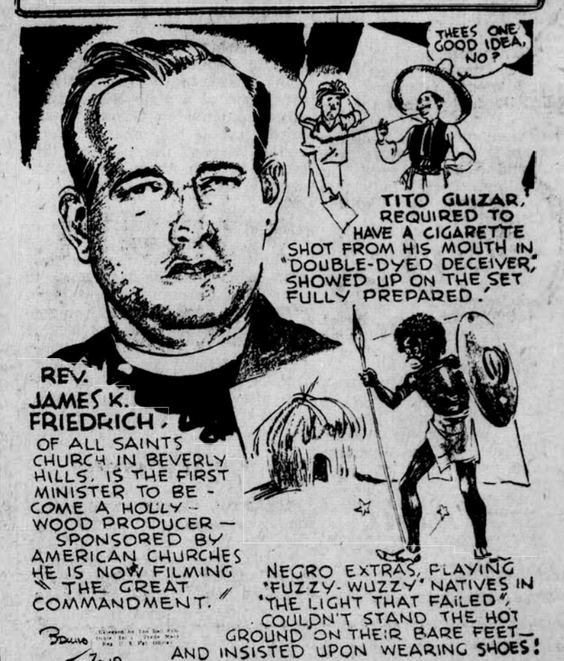
THEES ONE GOOD IDEA, NO?
TITO GUIZAR, REQUIRED TO HAVE A CIGARETTE SHOT FROM HIS MOUTH IN 'DOUBLE-DYED DECEIVER,' SHOWED UP ON THE SET FULLY PREPARED.
REV. JAMES K. FRIEDRICH, OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH IN BEVERLY HILLS, IS THE FIRST MINISTER TO BECOME A HOLLYWOOD PRODUCER—SPONSORED BY AMERICAN CHURCHES HE IS NOW FILMING "THE GREAT COMMANDMENT."
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BRUNO 7-19

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ON THE AIR

Delhi—I Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s.)
8-0 to 8-10 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 6-10 Sitar. 6-20 Ghulam Sabiri. 6-40 Ghaffar Haider. 6-55 Malang Khan. 7-0 to 8-30 As in Bombay 1. 8-30 Story of Mosquito Day. 9-0 News in Hindustani. 9-35 Vocal Recital. 9-45 World Affairs: By H. B. Butler. (From B. B. C.). 10-0 to 10-30 As in Bombay 2. 10-35 England & W. Indies. (B. B. C.).

Delhi—II Programme

31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s.)
8-0 to 9-0 a.m. and 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Delhi 2.
60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s.)
6-0 to 8-30 p.m. As in Delhi 1. 8-30 Musical Melodies. 9-0 to 9-35 As in Delhi 1. 9-35 Duets. 9.45 Mixed Melodies. 10-0 to 10-30 As in Bombay 2.

Delhi—III Programme

19.62 metres (15,290 kc/s.)
8-0 to 9-0 a.m. and 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Delhi 1.
31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s.)
6-0 to 8-30 p.m. As in Delhi 1. 8-30 to 9-0 As in Delhi 2. 9-0 to 9-45 As in Delhi 1. 9-45 to 10-0 As in Delhi 2. 10-0 to 10-30 As in Bombay 2.

Lahore Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s.)
6-0 p.m. Knursneedbai Hujruwali. 6-20 Rewa on Sarangi. 6-30 Lakshman Parshad. 6-45 Ali Bakhsh of Kasur. 7-5 Khursheedbai Hujruwali. 7-25 Vasant. 7-30 Lakshman Parshad. 7-45 For Countryside. 8-15 Snould Indians Marry European Wives? 8-30 Mosquito Day (From B. B. C.). 9-35 Instrumental Music. 9-45 World Affairs. By H. B. Butler, (B. B. C.). 10-0 Ali Bakhsh. 10-20 Khursheedbai Hujruwali.

Bombay—I Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)
8-0 a.m. Keep Fit! 8-30 The Air Quartet. 8-40 Amirbai Karnataki. 9-5 Dhuns on the Reeds. 9-15 Jagannathbuwa Pandharpurker. 9-45 Recitations from Hindustani Poems by an Air Artist. 9-50 Manohar Kapur. 12-30 p.m. Film Ke Sitare. Shanta Apte. 12-40 Vlyog Ki Ghariyan. Wahidanbai of Agra. 12-50 Prit Ke Geet. Padmarani Chatterji. 1-0 Market Rates. 1-10 Mutual Understanding. 1-25 Abdul Kareem Khan. 1-30 Music. School Broadcast. 2-30 Musical Prelude. 2-35 Marathi Literature. By M. D. Altekar. 2-50 Gujarati Bhavgeet's. 3-0 Along Coast of Konkan, 1. By G. K. Sane. 6-0 Master Dina. 6-10 Omkarnath Thakur. 6-20 Pilu on Violin. 6-30 Manohar Kapur. 6-45 Film Song on Clarionet. 6-50 Teen Tarane. 7-0 Our Films. (Hindustani) by A. R. Kardar. 7-15 Ustad Jhande Khan's Compositions. 7-30 Commercial News. 7-45 Amirbai. 8-15 D Amel. 8-25 Jagannathbuwa Pandharpurker. 8-55 Talk of Town. 9-0 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News in English. 9-35 Manohar Kapur. 9-45 World Affairs (B. B. C. Relay). 10-0 Jagannathbuwa Pandharpurker. 10-30 Epilogue.

Bombay—II Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s.)
8-0 to 10-0 a.m. and 12-30 to 3-15 p.m. As in Bombay 1.
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s.)
6-0 to 9-35 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 9-35 Agnes Barrett: Pianoforte 9-55 Air Voices. 10-10 George Lester: Violoncello Recital. 10-20 Bernard Reisner: Violin.

Trichy Programme

397 metres (758 kc/s.)
2-0 p.m. Keeranur Brothers. 2-15 T. Nagaswamy Bhagavatar: Vocal. 2-30 Harikambodi. 2-53 Shrimati Kamala Krishnamoorty: Vocal. 6-0 For Villages. 6-30 Srimati C. S. Saradambal: Vocal. 7-0 Deva Vrata. 7-15 Senji Lakshmayyah Naidu: Flute. 8-0 Srimati C. S. Saradambal. Vocal. 8-30 Interlude. 8-45 Senji Lakshmayyah Naidu: Flute.

Calcutta—I Programme

(Add 24 minutes to Calcutta time)
370.4 metres (810 kc/s)
10-30 a.m. Your selection.
12-30 pm. Variety. 1-10 Ministrel show. 1-30 Women in Sarat Chandra's novels (Bengali). 1-50 Music. 1-57 Treasures of earth, (Bengali). 2-17 Tune in children. 5-0 Variety. 6-10 For countryside. 7-0 Arupratan. 8-5 Myself and life. 3. 9-10 Talk of the Town. 9-30 Violin. 9-50 period.

Calcutta—II Programme

31.48 metres (9,530 kc/s)
10-30 to 11-30 a.m. and 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Calcutta 1
61.90 metres (4,840 kc/s)
5-0 to 6-10 As in Calcutta 1. 6-10 Alauddin Sircar. 6-25 Kamal Sarkar. 6-40 Prithish Mukherjee. 6-50 Santosh Kumar Bose. 7-0 to 9-30 As in Calcutta 1. 9-30 Anil Bugchi. 9-50 For Assamese listeners.

Lucknow Programme

293.5 metres (1,022 kc/s)
6-0 p.m. Bhajans. 6-15 Qamar Ahmad. 6-30 Gauhar Sultan. 6-52 Down Ganges. 7-2 Vocal and instrumental. 7-45 Kumari Gyanwati Bhatnagar. 8-0 Qamar Ahmad. 8-20 Burha Falsafi. 8-40 Gauhar Sultan. 9-40 K. K. Seth. 9-55 Geets. 10-10 Gauhar Sultan.

Peshawar Programme

(Broadcasts on 200 m. (1,500 kc/s.) from 7 to 10-30 p.m., relaying Lahore programmes from 8 p.m.).

Madras—I Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)
2-0 p.m. It might interest you. 2-5 Things we can make ourselves. 2-20 Music. 4-0 Variety. 6-0 Jayanthi: voice. 5-30 K. Venkatasubbiah Nagaswaram. 6-0 K. Venkatarama Iyer. 6-45 Viswasam (Telugu). 7-15 Survival of fittest (Tamil) by K. C. Ramakrishnan. 7-30 Docca Sri- Ramamurthy: voice. 8-30 P. Doraippa Bhagavathar: Gottuvadhyam 8-55 Under 25 Club (Poetry). 9-30 P. Doraippa Bhagavathar Gottuvadhyam.

Madras—II Programme

31.35 metres (9,570 kc/s)
2-0 to 2-30 As in Madras 1.
60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)
4-0 to 4-30 As in Madras 1.
60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)
5-0 to 9-30 As in Madras 1. 9-30 Coralie Taylor: Contralto. 9-50 Barnabas Von Geczy's orchestra. 10-0 Denzil Ludowyk: Violin.

Hyderabad Programme

411 metres (730 kc/s)
5-30 p.m. Mahboob Jan Asthai. Khayal and Thumri. 6-0 to 6-30 For Children (Urdu) 6-30 N.S.-B.S.S. Orchestra. Gut Tilak Kamood. 6-40 Sarwar Husain, Ghazals. 7-0 Tabla Solo. 7-10 "Wonders of Science" series (No. 4) by Dr. Qazi Moinuddin. 7-25 Mahboob Jan Thumri. Ghazal and Bhajan. 8-30 Record 8-45 Sarwar Husain, Ghazals. 9-5 Kannayyalal (Studio Artist)—Geet. 9-15 Mahboob Jan of Sholapur, Khayal, Ghazals, etc.

B B C Programme

7-30 Ebor handicap. 7-45 Test Match: England v. W. Indies 8-0 Cinema organ. 8-30 Story of Mosquito day. 9-0 England v. W. Indies. 9-5 Shows from Seaside. 9-30 news. 9-45 World Affairs. by H. B. Butler. 10-0 Dance Music. 10-20 Sports England v. W. Indies. 11-30 News. 11-45 Sports. 11-50 World Affairs.

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NEXT SATURDAY From 26th Aug. at WEST END

Around The Courts

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

At the inquest held on Sopana Sakhara, the City Coroner's jury returned the verdict of death due to accidental fall from a window on the 1st floor of a chawl on King Edward Road.

Five persons were arrested last night on a charge of "Madak" smoking.

They placed before Mr. J M Barot Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court, to-day, when they were ordered to be released on bail.

Dawood Muja Mazal Khan and three others were arrested by the Nagpada police yesterday on a charge of rioting and causing grievous hurt to a man at Bombay Central.

All the accused were placed before the Magistrate, at Mazagaon Court this morning, and were remanded into Police Custody till September 5.

That death was caused by heart failure was the verdict recorded by the Coroner at the inquest on Fatroo Afroo, who died on August 8.

Shahabuddin Rajmohommad deposed that the deceased was addicted to opium. As he did not get his usual dose since 1st August he became restless The witness saw to his surprise the deceased collapse and die.

Possessing Wine Without Permit?

Shanker Ragho Mayekar, formerly in the employ of Bombay Catholic Wine Agency at Grant Road, who was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 15 by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, on being found guilty on a charge of possessing one bottle of Port wine without a permit.

The accused was arrested while coming out of his house at Proctor Road with a bottle of Port wine concealed in a bag.

Tuni Mangal (40) was arrested yesterday on a charge of theft. It was stated the accused was serving as a butler to J. J. St. Lawrence Carson. From the 12th instant to date he was alleged to have consumed about six bottles of Scotch Whisky which was locked up in the dresser and added tea water to give it the same appearance and colour as whisky. He was offered bail till the 31st instant at Girgaum Court.

Arrested In Connection With Theft In Lahore

Between the 4th and 5th December last the shop of one Lala Kahanlal, son of Lala Goramal, a watch shop-keeper of Anarkali Bazar, Lahore, was broken open and property consisting of watches collectively valued at Rs. 3613/4 was stolen.

Two months ago Munshi Alam was arrested at Lahore. He claimed responsibility for the offence and stated that he had disposed of certain property to Najmool Husnain Valliulla at Bombay and part of it elsewhere.

Husnain Valliulla was arrested by the Lamington Road Police in this connection. He was offered bail at the Girgaum Court to-day.

Ramchandra Kashiram, Adamali Gulam Husain, Bacha Kara and Habib Saker were arrested by Sub-Inspector P. R. Rane of Anti-Gambling Squad on August 19 at about 5 p. m. on a charge of sutta gambling between the space of two houses in Jambli Street, Koliwada.

Some alleged sutta chits and money including marked coins were seized during the raid time.

Another sutta raid was carried out on August 19 at about 9 p. m. in a room on the first floor of House No 2, Chimna Bucher Street. Five persons were arrested.

Some sutta chits and money including marked coins were, it is alleged, found on their persons.

All the accused persons were placed before Mr. J. M. Barot, Additional Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon. They were ordered to be released on bail.

Alleged "Madad" Smoking

Mahmed Nazirkhan, Dalmirkhan, Sabirkhan Nazirkhan, Majidkhan Sadhoo, Vyankatrao Pupayar Ismail Abdulla, Noormahomed Makbulalli, Mahmed Ahmed, Gafoor Alikhan and Shaik Ibrahim Shaik Amir were arrested at about 9-15 p. m. on August 19 under Section 7 of the Opium Smoking Act by the Central Intelligence Section Police Prohibition Department.

The accused were, it was alleged, found smoking "Madad" in room No. 3 on the ground floor of House No. 17, Kamatipura, 5th Lane.

They were placed before Mr. J. M. Barot, Additional Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon, who ordered them to be remanded in custody till August 23.

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7-23

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Breeze In Port Trust Meeting

Indian Members Object To Minutes

Validity To Be Challenged In Court Of Law?

(FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT).

The battle for an Indian Chairman to the Bombay Port Trust was a long and arduous one, but hopes of Indianisation seem to have receded farther, even after the advent of the Indian Chairman. At a previous Board meeting the proposition of Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, in connection with the appointment of Mr. Zafar Ahmed who had been superseded by an European, resulted in a tie, and the Indian Chairman came to the rescue of European interests by giving his casting vote against the proposal of Sir Purshottamdas.

At yesterday's meeting of the Board, it transpires that objection was raised by some Indian Trustees about the validity of the minutes, while the Chairman maintained that the minutes as recorded were correct. It is likely that the validity of the minutes may be challenged in a court of law and sensational developments are expected.

AMAZING ACTION OF CHAIRMAN

The amazing action of the Indian Chairman of the Bombay Port Trust who gave his casting vote against the proposition of Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas in connection with the appointment of Mr. Zafar Ahmed as Assistant Mechanical Superintendent has caused surprise in city circles. The facts of the case as reported before are that in 1937 one Mr. Walker, then a Dredging Master, was promoted as Mechanical Superintendent and Mr. Zafar Ahmed, Assistant Mechanical Superintendent was confirmed in the acting appointment which he then held. In May last, the Chief Engineer recommended that in case Mr. Watts went on leave, Mr. Walker should act for him. Mr. Zafar Ahmed sent a representation that he was wrongly superseded by Mr. Walker and that he should be appointed to act in the acting appointments and that his seniority be restored to him. The question was referred to the Finance and General Committee who recommended that considering the representation of Mr. Zafar Ahmed, he should be confirmed as Assistant Mechanical Superintendent from the 26th May, 1937 and that he should be placed prior to Mr. Walker in the order of seniority and that Mr. Zafar Ahmed should act as senior Assistant Mechanical Superintendent during Mr. Watts' absence on leave and draw an acting allowance of Rs. 200/- per month with free quarters. When this matter was being considered by the Board, certain Trustees represented that they were not conversant with the facts of the previous decision of the Board, and therefore, Mr. Baddley suggested that the consideration be postponed until all the papers regarding this question were circulated to all the members of the Board. The consideration of this matter was resumed by the Board at a subsequent meeting.

RESTORATION OF SENIORITY

The main grounds of Mr. Zafar Ahmed for asking the Board to restore seniority were as follows:

1. That Mr. Zafar Ahmed was acting on a higher salary and on a higher post before Mr. Walker was promoted and he was actually proposed to be confirmed only a few days before Mr. Walker was proposed for the higher post as according to the Chief Engineer and the then Chairman, his services were satisfactory.

INDIAN'S CLAIMS OVERLOOKED

For reasons best known to the then Chairman, this proposal which was placed before the Finance and General Committee was withdrawn and the consideration of the same was postponed. Subsequently, Mr. Sharpe, one of the Senior Officers, died, and the Mechanical Engineer of this department manipulated a proposal to bifurcate the same, so as to leave the Electrical Department under Mr. Colly and the Mechanical Superintendent and the Mechanical Department under Mr. Watts. At this time, Mr. Zafar Ahmed should have been appointed as Mechanical Assistant Superintendent, but some how or other, his claims were disregarded. He was found to be inefficient all of a sudden in his qualifications, and Mr. Walker with less qualifications than Mr. Zafar Ahmed was appointed by a majority of European Trustees.

A strong minute of dissent was then recorded by the then Trustees which explains the affair fully. It may be here mentioned, that pursuant to the Indianisation of Services which was accepted by the Board of Trustees years ago, Mr. Zafar Ahmed was specially selected and sent to England for being trained as an Engineer, and thousands of rupees were spent after his training and education. It is, therefore, surprising the man on whom the Trustees spent such a large amount and who was highly spoken of by the Chief Engineer and others with whom he had served, was all of a sudden condemned on the question of qualification.

ISSUE RAKED UP

Mr. Walker was given artificial seniority by his appointment from a date on which he did not actually take charge, but was serving as a Dredging Master on the ship. The Indian Trustees therefore raised a pertinent point as to how he could be confirmed on a retrospective date, when he could not assume charge of his higher post and how he could be paid higher salary and why the auditors had not taken any objection regarding this payment which was alleged to be illegal. Secondly Mr. Walker possesses no electrical qualifications, nor is he conversant with locos and pipe line. In 1936, when a post of a Hydraulic Engineer fell vacant, Mr. Walker was offered the post which he declined to accept, and the then Chief Engineer recorded that Mr. Walker had forfeited all his claims to future promotion. In spite of this, it is really surprising that the Chief Engineer should have within a few months' time recommended Mr. Walker for this higher appointment, when he was not eligible even for a lower one.

SIR PURSHOTTAMDAS' MOVE.

Considering all these facts, the Finance and General Committee recommended to the Board that the Seniority of Mr. Zafar Ahmed should be restored, and that he should be appointed in the acting arrangements. Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas moved a definite resolution to the effect that the Finance and General Committee's recommendation be approved etc. which was turned down by the casting vote of the Chairman—10 Indian Trustees voting for and 10 European Trustees voting against. It is surprising to note that Mr. Kirpalani, the Chairman of the Bombay Port Trust, in his observations in one breadth said that he could not be called upon to sit in judgment on the decision of the Board which was arrived at two years ago, and on the other hand, voted against the motion which definitely proved detrimental to the interests of Indianisation. When this proposition was thrown out by the casting vote of the Chairman, the meeting abruptly dispersed.

CORRECTNESS OF MINUTES.

It is understood that whilst the minutes were being confirmed, an objection was raised by some Indian Trustees about the validity of the same, as a resolution which was never moved before the House was taken for granted as passed. A very brisk discussion was said to have taken place when men like Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas agreed with the contention of Mr. Master and Mr. Morarjee that the minutes did not give a correct record of what had exactly happened before. It transpires that the Chairman, whilst admitting that the resolution as recorded in the Minutes and objected to by some of the Indian Trustees was not actually moved and voted upon, but followed as an inference from the observation which he made at the meeting, said that the proceedings of the Board were conducted informally and the laws and procedure were not strictly adhered to.

After a good deal of discussion and in spite of strong appeals made by Trustees like Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, Mr. Meyer Nissim and other Indian Trustees, the Chairman seemed to be adamant in his views and insisted that the minutes as recorded were correct. Mr. Master thereupon moved an amendment that the Minutes be so amended as to delete the wording of the Trustees' Resolution which was mentioned in the minutes, as an inference of the Chairman's remarks. On being put to vote, the amendment of Mr. Master was turned down by a majority. This matter may not rest here. The Minutes may be challenged in a Court of Law and sensational developments are awaited.

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Jagannath Shankershet Anniversary

In a province predominated by orthodox Hindus not amenable to any social or educational reforms Jagannath Shankershet took a bold step when he started an education institution in his own Bungalow at Palao Road and next gave higher education to his own daughter, said Miss Krishnabai Javery in the course of her address at the Kshatriya Samaj gathering held under the auspices of Jagannath Shanker Set P U. Mandal to celebrate his anniversary.

Weather Report

(From Our Correspondent.)
POONA, Aug. 22.

The following are the maximum-minimum temperature and rainfall figures recorded at various stations during twenty four hours ending 8 a.m. to-day:

Station	Temperature Max.	Min.	Rainfall Past 24 hours	Total since 1st June	Difference from Normal
Agra	97	77	0.1	14.6	-2.3
Amraoti	74	68	0.1	16.5	-3.2
Akola	74	69	0.3	21.3	+2.0
Ahmedabad	92	76	0.2	6.3	-16.0
Ajmer	92	—	0.4	3.2	-10.5
Ahmednagar	75	67	—	7.7	-2.4
Ambala	96	80	—	16.1	-0.6
Allahabad	88	77	—	28.0	+2.9
Benares	88	71	—	22.9	-2.3
Bareilly	94	81	—	18.8	-8.0
BOMBAY	80	73	0.7	42.0	-10.5
Bangalore	77	66	T	8.7	-2.1
Bhopal	83	74	—	38.6	—
Baroda	82	75	0.4	10.0	—
Belgaum	76	66	0.2	49.3	+17.1
Bhhawalpore	—	—	—	—	—
Bijapur	85	69	—	9.4	+2.1
Bellary	88	74	—	5.3	-0.1
Bhavnagar	82	76	0.9	9.5	-4.6
Chittagong	89	76	1.3	71.9	+14.4
Calcutta	91	81	—	48.0	+11.6
Cuttack	88	77	—	23.0	-8.9
Cawnpore	89	78	T	20.1	-1.5
Calicut	84	77	—	80.6	+4.1
Colombo	85	77	—	21.5	+6.3
Cheerapunji	80	72	—	280.5	+22.5
Cocanada	89	77	0.2	13.8	-0.4
Cochin	83	76	0.1	74.1	+13.2
Dehra Dun	89	76	—	66.5	+9.2
Delhi	96	79	—	10.6	-5.5
Dehra I. Khan	107	83	—	0.3	-4.0
Darjeeling	—	—	—	—	—
Desa	97	78	T	1.9	-15.8
Dalhousie	—	—	—	39.	-7.8
Fort Sandamen	98	76	—	3.3	-1.1
Gorakhpur	91	82	—	37.1	+6.2
Hyderabad (Dn.)	84	70	T	10.1	-5.3
Hyderabad (Sd.)	—	—	—	—	—
Indore	80	71	1.1	17.9	-3.4
Jhansi	87	77	—	26.6	+2.3
Jubbulpore	83	72	T	34.0	-3.1
Jacobabad	—	—	—	—	—
Jaipur	94	78	—	6.1	-9.7
Karwar	—	—	—	—	—
Karachi	—	—	—	—	—
Kodaikanal	61	50	—	11.1	-2.7
Khandwa	77	70	0.2	11.6	-3.9
Lucknow	89	70	0.1	26.3	+2.3
Ludhiana	—	—	—	—	—
Lahore	91	84	—	7.1	-4.1
Lyallpur	100	82	—	5.2	-2.2
Multan	109	86	—	2.6	—
Mysore	81	67	0.2	5.3	-1.3
Madras	99	79	0.1	3.1	-5.8
Marmagoa	83	74	0.3	57.8	—
Malegaon	84	66	0.8	14.9	+3.7
Mussoories	72	61	0.9	40.7	-15.3
Mahableshwar	63	58	1.3	151.1	-56.7
Murree	75	59	—	18.7	-8.9
Mount Abu	81	66	0.3	6.7	-36.3
Masulipatam	93	76	0.4	11.3	-4.9
Mandalay	90	77	0.6	19.4	+7.6
Mangalore	82	75	—	90.2	+0.5
Meerut	—	—	—	11.0	-7.5
Mercara	67	63	1.1	70.1	-16.3
Nagpur	78	70	T	6.6	-4.0
Ootacamund	59	53	—	21.0	+1.3
Patna	90	81	—	37.8	+8.7
Peshawar	100	78	—	1.1	-2.5
Poona	77	70	0.1	10.4	-4.3
Pachmarhi	75	67	0.5	66.9	+15.8
Port Blair	82	71	1.2	42.0	-5.7
Quetta	94	55	—	0.6	—
Ranchi	81	69	—	33.7	-1.0
Rawalpindi	96	80	—	8.5	-8.1
Rangoon	81	74	0.8	53.1	-1.6
Rajkot	95	75	0.2	3.1	-16.3
Sialkot	95	81	—	11.8	-5.1
Srinagar	89	69	—	2.7	-3.0
Sholapur	87	70	0.1	8.5	-3.7
Shillong	80	67	—	43.4	+1.9
Simla	68	59	T	34.9	-2.9
Surat	79	7.3	2.9	16.4	-14.4
Salem	92	75	—	14.6	+3.2
Trichinopoly	94	79	—	7.4	+2.3
Trivandrum	84	76	—	26.1	+2.5
Vizagapatam	91	81	—	8.5	-4.4

T indicates rainfall of 1 to 4 Cents.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 22-8-39

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 79.9 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 29.87 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.67 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

TEMPERATURE COMES DOWN

But Monsoon Has Still To Make Up Leeway

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Bombay is still below the normal rainfall figures by 10.49 inches, inspite of frequent showers on Monday.

The rainfall for the 24 hours ending 8 a.m. was only 70 cents in Colaba. The temperatues both maximum and minimum however have come down considerably below normal. The maximum for the 24 hours up to 8 a.m. was 80.3 degrees—5 degrees below normal and the minimum 73.3 degrees—2 degrees below normal.

The following is the rain chart up to 8 a.m.:—

	Total
Colaba 0.70	42.39
St. George 0.90	41.69
J. J. Hospital 1.35	43.70
Matunga 0.84	36.79

RAINFALL RECORD

POONA, Aug. 22.

Yesterday's depression weakened and lies this morning as a shallow low over south-east Rajputana Conditions are unsettled at the head of the Bay of Bengal, where another depression is apparently forming. The monsoon has been active in west and south-east Rajputana, east Gujarat, west Central India and Konkan. Rainfall occurred locally in United Provinces hills, Berar, west Central Provinces, Bombay Deccan, north Hyderabad, Mysore, Malabar and north Madras coast, while a few falls are reported from Bengal, east United Provinces, east and north Punjab, Kashmir, east Central Provinces, west Gujarat and south-east Madras.

Chief amounts of rainfall:—Surat three inches, Khandalla two, Cox's Bazar, Chittagong, Barisal, Udaipur, Mahableshwar one and half; Port Blair, Mussooree, Indore, Jodhpur, Bhavnagar, Jalgaon, Mangalore and Mercara, Ajmer, Kotah, Masulipatam half; Gulmarg, Baroda, Rajkot, Mount Abu, Bikaner quarter.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 22-8-1939.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours plus .030 inches

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 77.3 degrees

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 74.3 degrees

Maximum temperature during 24 hrs 80.3 degrees 4.7 (below normal)

Minimum temperature during 24 hrs 73.3 degrees 2.4 (below normal)

Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 86 per cent.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. WNW

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 20 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 225 miles

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 44 miles per hour

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 10

Rain in 24 hours 0.70 inches

Total rainfall during the month 4.64 inches

Total rainfall during the year 42.40 inches

Weather remark: Rain

MILD SENSATION IN HIGH COURT

Contempt Of Court Case Sequel

A mild sensation was caused in the Court of the Hon. Justice Mr. H. T. Kania on Tuesday, when Nathjibai Changanlal and another defendants in a maintenance suit, were committed to jail custody for contempt of Court in not producing certain documents and filing affidavits.

They were, however, let off later in the day, when they gave an undertaking and provided security for carrying out the instructions of the Court.

The incident is the off-shoot of a suit for maintenance by Bai Ichabai against Nathjibai Chaganlal and others being the undivided members of a joint Hindu family. The judge had sent the case to the Commissioner to take accounts of the family estate with a view to ascertain the sum that could be given as maintenance. The Court also passed orders for the production of documents and other anciMary matters.

The defendents pleaded that they were not served with orders of the Court. But the Court held the defence untenable and that the defendants had to fulfill the undertakings given in Court. They were guilty of Contempt of Court. So they were committed to jail custody till they repented and gave due obedience to the Court's orders.

Later in the day Sir Jamshed Kanga appearing on behalf of the defendants made an application to the Court requesting it to vacate its earlier order. The defendants undertook to produce the documents and gave a security of Rs. 5,000.

The Court thereupon vacated its earlier orders.

10 YEARS' JAIL FOR CULPABLE HOMICIDE

In accordance with the unanimous verdict of the special jury, the Hon. Justice Mr. N. S. Lokur, convicted Shergul Lalgul of the offence of culpable homicide not amounting to murder, in criminal sessions on Tuesday.

It appears that the accused and the deceased Sherfatkhan Habibullakhan were living in the same chawl at Sewri. On March 21 last, the wife of the deceased took away a gunny bag screen from a vacant room in the chawl. The sister-in-law of the accused protested against this and a quarrel ensued between them.

That evening the accused called out the deceased. Hot words ensued in the course of which the accused stabbed the deceased in the abdomen resulting in his death later on.

The accused was committed to sessions by the Presidency Magistrate, V Court, Dadar.

Accused pleaded not guilty. The jury by a majority of six to three found him not guilty of murder but returned a unanimous verdict of guilty of the lesser offence.

The judge remarked that the accused had fortunately not been found guilty of murder but there was no reason why he should not be awarded the highest sentence. He therefore sentenced him to ten years' rigorous imprisonment.

Mr. M. P. Laud appeared for the Crown and Mr. M. K. Azad for the accused.

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BOMBAY and SUBURBS

Local Engagements

To-day

Hindu: Shravan Sud 9, 1995.
Muslim: Rajab 7, 1358.
Parsi: Aspandad 22, 1308.
Hightide: 7-03, 18-30.
Lowtide: ...., 13-17.
Sunrise: 6h. 22m.
Sunset: 7h. 1m.

Municipal Standing Committee, 4-10 p.m.

Rovers Cup Football Tournament, Cooperage, 4-30 p.m.

Municipal Schools Committee, 5-40 p.m.

Harwood Football League, (Second Division), Parel 5-45 p.m.

THURSDAY.

Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.

S.S. "Cathay" with mails from London due 6 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.

SATURDAY.

S.S. "Strathallan" with London mails sails at 1 p.m.

POSTAL NOTICE

Correspondence other than letters and postcards for British East Africa, Tanganyika Territory, Zanzibar, Rhodesia, Nyasaland and the Union of South Africa and all correspondence for Portuguese East Africa, Seychelles and Lawrenzo Marques per s.s. 'Kenya' will be accepted at the Bombay General Post Office as shown below:

Registered and unregistered correspondence upto 12 noon on Wednesday, the 30th August, 1939.

Parcels will also be accepted upto 5 p.m. on Tuesday, the 29th August, 1939.

Correspondence other than letters and postcards for Mauritius, and all correspondence for Reunion and Madagascar Ports will also be accepted upto 12 noon on Wednesday, the 30th August, 1939, for despatch by the above steamer. Letters and postcards for Mauritius specially superscribed for transmission by this steamer will also be accepted upto 12 noon on Wednesday.

B. P. WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Members of the Bombay Presidency Women's Council and friends who are interested on standardisation of text books, are invited to attend an informal meeting arranged by the Management Committee at the Town Hall on Wednesday, the 30th August at 5-30 p.m.

'A' WARD CONGRESS

In order to facilitate enrolment of Congress members the office of the 'A' Ward District Congress Committee at Bazargate Street, Fort, will remain open every day during the following hours:

From 8 a.m. to 12 noon (S.T.) and from 6-30 p.m. to 8-30 p.m. (S.T.).

FREE HINDI ALPHABET CLASSES

Free Hindi classes have been started on from Sunday last and are being held every Sunday morning between 8-30 and 10 a.m. in the premises of the Sharda Sadan School, Sanzgiri Mansion, opposite Ambewadi Post Office, Girgaon, where Hindi is taught right from alphabets.

LATE SIR H. C. DINSHAW

The Trustees of the Parsi Punchayet Funds and Properties, Bombay, have passed a resolution expressing regret at the sad demise of their colleague Sir Hormusjee Cowasjee Dinshaw, Kt., and eulogising his services to the community.

BOMBAY PORT HAJ COMMITTEE

Intimation has been received from Messrs. Turner, Morrison and Co. Ltd., Bombay, that their s.s. 'Jehangir' will sail for Jedda via Karachi not later than the 14th September 1939. She has a carrying capacity of 1st Class 18, 2nd Class 20 and Deck 989. It is the intention of the Shipping Company to maintain reduced fares upto and including the last steamer sailing prior to Ramzan. After Ramzan-Id fares will return to the same as those charged last year.

Amusements Of The Day

METRO—"Sergeant Madden." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Naughty But Nice". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Saint In London." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"The Gorilla." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Durga." Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Jesse James." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EROS—"The Sun Never Sets." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 & 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Listen Darling". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Sant Tulsidas." Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Netaji Palkar." Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"Raja Shriyal." Time as usual.
CENTRAL — "Brandi-ki-Botal." Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Sapera." Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Sadhana." Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Punjab Mail." Daily at 4-45, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Bramhachari." Daily at 4-45, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
BANDRA TALKIES—"Sant Tukaram." Daily at 2, 4-30, 7-15 and 10-15 p.m.

KANNADA DRAMATIST'S LECTURE

Under P. E. N. Auspices

"The Vision of the Kannada Dramatist" is the subject of a lecture to be given by Prof. V. K. Gokak, M.A., (Bom.), B.A., (Oxon) of Willingdon College, on Thursday, the 24th of August, at 6-30 p.m. The lecture is sponsored by the India Centre of the International P.E.N. Club, of which Professor Gokak, a Kannada poet and playwright of distinction, is a member. Dewan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri, M.A., LL.B., a member of the Managing Committee of the P.E.N., will preside.

The meeting, which will be open to the public, will be held in the rooms of the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society in the Town Hall, Elphinstone Circle.

Satyamurti In Bombay

Mr. S. Satyamurti will arrive in Bombay by the Frontier Mail on Wednesday (to-day) and leave for Madras in the night.

Mid Week Change At Palace

"UNDER THE RED ROBE"

There is a mid-week change of programme at The Palace from to-day, when "Zaza" gives place to "Under the Red Robe," a romantic adventure drama starring Conrad Veidt and Annabella. Students of matric class will find this picture of educational value, since this story is a current prescribed text-book and the management of The Palace have, therefore, decided to admit school parties at concession rates, during the run of this picture.

Women's Show Of Bombay Talkies' "Durga"

A special show for women only of Bombay Talkies' popular picture, "Durga," has been arranged on Thursday, the 24th instant at 1-30 p.m. at the Roxy Talkies.

BANDRA BUS DEFAMATION CASE

Solicitor And Bus Company's Employee In Witness Box

The Bandra defamation case in which a Bombay Knight is being prosecuted in the Court of Mr. B. V. Trivedi, the First Class Magistrate of Bandra, came up for hearing on Monday afternoon.

The case is filed by Mr. S. B. Sangliker, ex-Manager of the Bandra Bus Service against Sir Sultan Chinoy charging him with defamation in respect of a communication made by him to the "Times of India" and the "Evening News of India".

Mr Tricumdas Dwarkadas, the solicitor for the accused, gave evidence for the prosecution.

Mr. Tricumdas Dwarkadas stated: "I am a partner in the solicitors' firm of Messrs. Kanga and Co I know the accused, Sultan Chinoy (now Sir Sultan Chinoy) for the past 30 years. The letter dated 20th September, 1938 (exhibit 1 c) written by my firm to Mr. Joachim Alva, Advocate for the complainant and now shown to me is signed by me in the name of Kanga and Co. The contents of this letter were written under instructions. This letter was not written on the same day as I received the instructions.

Instructions were received by me personally. On the 26th September, Sir Sultan Chinoy rang me up and told me of Mr. Joachim Alva's letter on behalf of the complainant which he had received on that date. He told me that he was sending the letter to me and that I would have to reply to that. The same evening Mr. Alva's letter was sent on to me by Sir Sultan Chinoy. The next morning, that is on the 27th Sept. I saw Sir Sultan Chinoy at the Bombay Garage at Chowpatty. I went there to take his instructions. Then he told me about his letter to the "Times of India" and asked me to obtain instructions for a reply to Mr Alwa's letter from Mr. Akbar Chinoy (Manager of the Company.)

Mr. Akbar was not there at the moment. So I left the Bombay Garage. Later on, the same day I rang up Mr Akbar Chinoy and obtained his instructions On the 20th Sept. I drafted the reply and sent it on. I received instructions over the telephone

'Neither Sir Sultan nor Mr. Akbar Chinoy came to my office to give me instructions about his reply. It is usual to me to receive instruction over the phone without personally interviewing the party.' Sometimes, drafts of letters written on behalf of clients are sent to them for approval but in many cases not.

In the present case no draft of the reply was sent to the client for approval. There is no draft copy of the letter in my office. This reply was 'engrossed' direct from my dictation and was dictated on 28th Sept. 1938.

I have written in the reply the name of (Mr. Sultan Chinoy as I thought that instructions given by Mr. Akbar Chinoy were on behalf of Sir Sultan Chinoy.

Cross-examined by Mr. C. N. Kanuga, Defence Counsel, the witness said "By 'receiving instructions to reply thereto,' I mean that Sir, Sultan Chinoy told me that I, that is my firm, had to send a reply to that letter.

I cannot say definitely that all the instructions for writing the reply on behalf of the accused were received from Mr. Akbar Chinoy. After I had conversations with Sir Sultan Chinoy he asked me to take instructions from Mr. Akbar Chinoy. In the reply I have written in para 1 'Our client Mr. (then) Sultan Chinoy has placed in our hands your letter addressed to him and received by him on the 26th instant with instructions to state in reply thereto as follows," because the letter written by Mr. Joachim Alwa was addressed to Mr. Sultan Chinoy and because that letter was sent on to me by Sir Sultan Chinoy.

Muhamad Usman was the next witness to be examined for the prosecution. In the course of his evidence the witness said "I was in the service of the Bandra Bus Service since 1933. I was getting Rs. 45 per month as my salary and annas 4 per day as my 'bhatta'. I continued in the service of the Bandra Bus Service till the sale of the concern by its proprietor Mr. Husseinbhoy Fazalbhoy to the Bandra Bus Company now owned by the Bombay Garage. I was taken over by the Bandra Bus Company on and from 1st July 1938, the employees of the Bandra Bus Service had formed a union under the name of "Bandra Bus Service Workers' Union on 1st May 1938. Mr. R. R. Bakle of the Servants of India Society was the President while I was the Vice-President of this Union. The General Secretary of the Union was Mr. Dinker Desai. The Union was formed with the object of getting some of our grievances redressed.

I know the signature of Dinker Desai. The signature to the letter dated 19th May 1938 addressed by the Union to the Bandra Bus Service is of Dinker Desai, the Hon. General Secretary.

At this stage Mr. P. V. Patel, counsel for the complainant requested the Court to mark the document to admit the documents as an exhibit.

Mr. Kanuga objected to the document going in without proper legal proof, for being both irrelevant and inadmissible in law. He contended that the mere fact that the witness identified the signature of the waiter does not necessarily admit of the contents of the letter going on record.

On hearing both the sides the Magistrate ruled that as the signature of Dinkar Desai was identified by the witness the letter in question would be admitted but the contents thereof would have to be proved by the writer or by other legal means.

The case stands adjourned to the 18th September at 12-15 noon.

Mr. P. V. Patel appeared for the complainant and Mr. C. N. Kanuga with Messrs. Gulamali Merchant, Camruddin Vakil and Upadhya appeared for the accused.

UNIFORM LEASE DRAFT FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES

Plea Before City Improvements Committee

The Improvements Committee on Tuesday considered a letter from Mr. Hiralal Amritlal Shah, urging that a uniform lease for industrial purposes with certain conditions be drafted.

The Committee sent the letter to the Municipal Commissioner for report.

DRY FISH GODOWNS.

The Committee also considered the report of the sub-Committee regarding the proposal to shift the dry fish godowns from Sewree Cross Road to Sewree Koliwada estate.

The Committee forwarded this matter to the Works Committee.

WELCOME RAIN IN SURAT

SURAT, Aug. 22.

Yesterday's rainfall in Surat District will be useful to the standing crops.

The Tapti is slowly rising.

Timely Rains In Central India

(From Our Correspondent.)

INDORE, (By Mail).

It has been raining incessantly here since Friday morning. More than three inches of rain have been recorded within last 43 hours.

Reports from the districts indicate that the rains have saved the crops at many centres. It can be definitely stated that the timely rains have averted the famine in the Holkar State.

Poona Congressmen To Help Famine-stricken

(From Our Correspondent.)

POONA, Aug. 22.

A decision to give 50 per cent. of their allowance towards famine relief was arrived at the meeting of the members of the Congress party in the Poona District Local Board held here last evening.

ALLEGED PERSECUTION OF GIRL: ACCUSED OFFERED BAIL.

The story how an up-country girl was tempted to come down to Bombay with an idea of seeing the city and how she was persecuted was strongly detested by her was narrated to-day before Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaon Court, on Tuesday.

All the accused were offered bail till the 4th September.

NEW HAJ COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At the meeting of the Haj Committee held on the 8th instant, Mr. Syed A. Azum was appointed Executive Officer and Secretary, Port Haj Committee, Bombay, vice Haji T. C. Mayan—deceased.

K.E.M. Hospital & G.S.M. College Employees' Union

A general body meeting of the Union will be held to-day (Wednesday) at 9 p.m. (S.T.) at Ramchandra Bhatt High School Hall, near Kamgar Maidan, Hospital Road, Poybavdi. Sjt. M. R. Masani will preside. Dr. Jiwraj Mehta, the Dean of the K. E. M. Hospital and G. Medical College will attend the meeting.

Mr. SIDDIQ'S APPOINTMENT

A Contradiction

Our Hyderabad Correspondent informs that the news circulated in the Press about the appointment of Mr. Mohamed Siddiq in the Constitutional Affairs Secretariat, Hyderabad, is not correct.

NARBADDA IN FLOODS

Warning To Motorists

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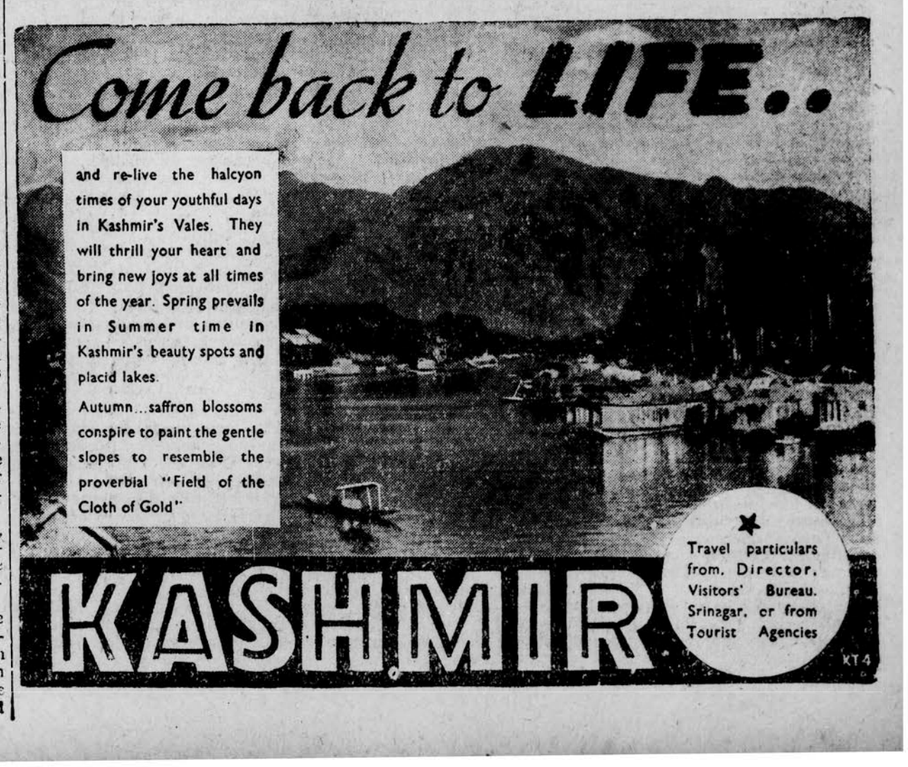
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A STUNNING BLOW

The Russians have followed up their economic bombshell with a bigger and definitely staggering one. It is a bewildering development. For the historical reasons which have led, stage by stage, to negotiations for a Russo-German Pact, there is absolutely no doubt that the British Government are exclusively responsible. Having consistently ignored and snubbed the Soviet for years, they decided to acknowledge Russia's effective existence only reluctantly and grudgingly. They realized her potential importance as a member of the Peace Front, but with typical reactionary cheapness, they offered membership to her in a condescending manner, and as if they were doing a great honour to a fourth rate, insignificant State. Nor was that all. Uptill now they have been persisting in something definitely worse than half-heartedness in connection with Anglo-Russian negotiations. They have been indulging in conduct which almost amounted, both in omission and commission, to sabotaging the negotiations. This is true not only of the political conversations but also of the staff talks, in which connection it is interesting to note that, according to recent reports in London, the British Military Mission had no authority to come to an agreement with the Russian delegation on any subject.

Encouraging Aggression

This is a background which justifies a Russian desire to spite Britain. The British deserve nothing better. But the question is: Have the Russians adopted the right method for the process? Their refusal to draw Anglo-French chestnuts out of the fire, as their great leader once put it, would be intelligible, in the absence of any fair *quid pro quo*. And so would, therefore, be their refusal actively to join the "Peace Front" of the Western Democracies without any compensating conditions. But Russia has done something amazingly different. She has *guaranteed*—yes, actually guaranteed—economic support and military neutrality to the anti-democratic, avowedly anti-Comintern, openly aggressive Powers of the Nazi-Fascist Axis. The practical implications of this double guarantee are that M. Stalin has encouraged Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini to embark upon a campaign of all-round aggression against independent States—what a far cry from denunciations in the Russian Press and by Russian statesmen of Nazi-Fascist aggression and brutalities against other states! Worse, M. Stalin is directly offering Herr Hitler—of all men!—what for the world and for peace is a total inspiration to hesitate no longer but to strike. How? Two possible considerations were preventing Herr Hitler from marching into Danzig: the entry of Russia into a war which would decisively affect the almost even balance between the Axis and the Peace Front and, secondly, the Axis with their actual and potential resources could not have expected to last much longer than a year. M. Stalin is disposing of the first. As to the second, Germany can get much of the supplies necessary for carrying a long war from Russia and this is precisely what the trade agreement has secured.

A Grave Possibility

These are inevitabilities. There is also a third possibility which is by no means unlikely. M. Stalin has provided Mr. Chamberlain with an opportunity—for have not all his critics been denouncing him for ignoring the one Power unavoidably essential for the success of a Peace Front? —to run away again with results as disastrous as the consequences of an unfavourable war. The tragedy may not happen, but has not M. Stalin offered a free hand to the Nazis and the Fascists to conquer Europe and ultimately face Russia herself with a formidable danger? In view of the unmistakably clear reports it would be unwise to be optimistic about the Russian bombshells, which constitute perhaps the two most sensational events in the international history of the last ten years. But one may agree with a Paris suggestion that there is many a slip between the cup and the lip. For instance, there is the problem of "indirect aggression" against the Baltic States which, Russia has been rightly insisting, would be a grave menace to her security, a problem that proved to be the basic cause of the Anglo-Russian deadlock. Messages from Russia show that there is no guarantee that the Pact will be signed and that, at any rate, it is intended as a move towards peace. This is like hoping against hope because Hitler's past belies the possibilities of such a happy consummation unless a miracle has happened and Hitler has realized the madness of the policy he has hitherto followed. Meanwhile Russia's lightning diplomacy has surprised foes and stunned friends. And Herr Hitler, sitting on the mountain heights of Berchtesgaden, is now joyfully sharpening his claws for an imminent swoop.

Persistent Injustice

The Bombay Government are getting hyper-sensitive to Press comments. They are spreading the net of the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act wider and have caught two fresh victims in it. They have demanded security from the publishers of the Marathi weekly, "Lokhandi Morcha" and the Urdu weekly, "Munsif," for publishing articles which come under some section of that all-pervasive Act. We need not discuss these articles so as to let the public judge whether they are really so bad as to be penalised. Let us assume that they are bad. If so, they must come under the Indian Penal Code, and we do not see why the papers should not be prosecuted in a law court. We fully support the Government in their laudable desire to prevent the publication of matter that incites violence or creates intercommunal bitterness. But the methods adopted by them are hardly defensible. If a prosecution is shirked, it must raise the suspicion that the offending articles are not really so bad as to be condemned by a law court and are, therefore, penalised by an executive fiat.

We shall perhaps be told that prosecution in a law court gives offending papers and articles a measure of publicity that may be a menace to law and order. That was at any rate the plea advanced in the bad old days when an irresponsible Government worked the engine of repression in times which were certainly abnormal. We have now a democratic Government pledged to uphold the rights of the Press and specifically pledged to repeal or make a dead letter of all lawless laws, including the one in question. And the times are now quite normal—it will be a travesty to say that a state of emergency still exists. It is, therefore, amazing that such a Government should persistently make use of the odious law and put forward the same perverse plea as was urged by the old bureaucracy.

We fear that a casual remark of Gandhiji on this point in his conversation with Mr. V. V. Sathe, as reported in the 'Harijan' of the 12th instant may be misused by the Bombay Government. While Mr. Sathe was fasting in Gandhiji's presence for the reason, among others, that the Bombay Government had demanded security from certain papers, he said to Gandhiji: "Why should the editors not be prosecuted? No security should be demanded without prosecution." And Gandhiji replied: "I do not take your view. If we have a national Government and we have papers that simply thrive on prosecutions, what are we to do?" Gandhiji was evidently anxious to persuade Mr. Sathe to end his fast, but he added that the subject needed careful examination and that if he was convinced that the Ministers had erred he would certainly speak to them. Now, as regards Gandhiji's remarks we would point out that the possible thriving of any paper on prosecutions can be no justification for shirking prosecution. And as a matter of fact more sympathy is felt for a paper which is punished without a trial than for one which is prosecuted according to law. The real question is whether the articles objected to are objectionable, and the prosecuting authority cannot, in any case, be the right judge on this point. It is a thousand pities that this universally accepted canon of justice is ignored by a Congress Government.

OUR EUROPEAN LETTER

The War Danger

How European Countries Are Preparing

(From Our Own Correspondent)

PARIS, Aug. 15

The moves and measures, adopted and attempted, by various States in Europe, suggest closely the possibility or calculation of the European situation, difficult and strained, taking a turn leading to conflict. They indicate alike care to a totalitarian form a new conflict is suited to assume. Below I state certain factors based on reports of this week.

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The Ministry of Health in Britain is making arrangements for the acccommodation of 200,000 in hospitals on the first day in the event of war. London has eye well on heavy air-attacks. There are reckonings of air-attacks being capable of causing round 30,000 deaths and casualties as wounded 70,000 in the course of a week. Such reckonings at any rate are kept in view for preparations. On the basis of estimates of the nature, it would seem, arrangements are being drawn for the supply and distribution of doctors and accommodation for patients. Special arrangements, it is understood, are being considered for securing a satisfactory supply of nerve doctors as the air-attacks are held as fitted to develop nervous breakdowns. The advisability of closing cafes, cinemas and theatres in the event of war is under discussion.

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The Home Office or Ministry of Interior in Germany has issued instructions for the compilation of what is described as "Volskartei"—a peoples' archive or file—stating details with particular references to physical fitness and capacity of every individual, man and woman between the ages of five and seventy. To be excluded are, foreigners, those on active service in any one of the military formations and members of the Labour Front. It is stated that the "Volkskartei" is to serve the purpose of organization of defence. There is to be heavy punishment for incorrect or incomplete answers to questions contained in formulas in connection with the compilation of the "Volkskartei."

The Italian Government has newly through press and radio called upon the civilian population to hurry up with the securing of gas masks.

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Roumania this week will have called to arms reserves of ten years. This will mean that 500,000 will be on field service. The country is staging a large scale manoeuvre. Further reserves are expected to be called on the 15th of September. The troops are understood as being concentrated along the western frontier regions and the area round Dobrudscha to which Bulgaria is viewed as harbouring a claim or aspiration. Bulgarian aspiration to Dobrudscha has come to gain a new interest owing to estimates of Germany seeing in it an instrument for adding to a pressure on Roumania.

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The German 'Protector" over Bohemia and Moravia, the Czech lands, has just issued a decree relating to carrying of arms and ammunition in the "Protectorate". The decree calls for the handing up of all arms and ammunition, without delay to specially authorised sources. Special permission is necessary for getting subsequently the rights to carry arms and ammunition. All permits held for the while lose their validity. Those not complying with the terms of the decree are threatened with punishment extending to 15 years of imprisonment. It is mentioned also that the holding of unwarranted depots of arms or ammunition could be met with capital punishment.

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The Axis Powers (Germany and Italy) as some generally well-informed sources indicate have the plan of building a railway line connecting Vienna with Trieste. A line of the nature planned will have to pass some thirty kilometres over Jugoslavian territory. The line without doubt will carry considerable strategical importance and it is apprehended in Belgrade that the Axis Powers will demand the use of the line for the transport of troops and munitions in the event of war and expect in association a benevolent neutrality anyway of Jugoslavia. The plan of the line is supposed to have formed an issue of discussion in Rome on the occasion of the visit last week of Tsvetkovitch the Jugoslavian Premier to Rome.

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The halt of the Soviet Union continues to be watched with the closest of attention by Germany. The strength of the Union as a military and economic factor is not overseen in Berlin. The following figures relating to the Soviet Union are taken from a recent declaration of Molotov, the Soviet Premier and Peoples' Commissar for Foreign Affaires, Soldiers on active service, 2 millions. total capable of being mobilized, 25 millions active pilots 100,000; trained pilots for front line service 250,000; production of aeroplanes 9,000 a year; Heavy cruisers 5, light cruisers 3; torpedo boats 22; submarines 152; oil production at the end of the Second Five Year Plan (that is in 1937) 34 million tons against 9 in 1914. coal production 129 million tons against 29 in 1914; cast iron 15 million tons against 3.5 million tons in 1914; steel 18 million tons against 2.4 million in 1914; cement 5.5 million tons against a practically insignificant quantity in 1914; automobile production 200,000 against none in 1914; and locomotives 1.700 also against none in 1914. The Third Five Year Plan that is estimated to be finished in 1942 foresees petrol production going to 54 million tons. coal 230 million tons, cast iron 22 million tons; steel 28 million tons, cement 10 million tons, automobiles 400,000 and locomotives 2.000.

The New H. G. Wells

By D. F. KARAKA

Secker and Warburg's have just published the new H. G. Wells. With most writers the name of the book is important. But with H. G. Wells and those like him who stand out as the men of thought in the era to which we belong, it is an event of sufficient importance that they have written again.

Unlike Bernard Shaw who has published always with Constable's, H. G. Wells has a variety of publishers. They tell me that he walked into the office of Michael Joseph one afternoon, with a manuscript tucked under his arm, which he laid on M. J.'s table and told him to publish it. That book was called "The Holy Terror" and Michael Joseph's Spring list of this year was enriched by one outstanding book. Now he has gone to the new and equally enterprising firm of Secker and Warburg. The name of Secker has long been known to the English publishing world. The name of Warburg suggests Jewish finance. And it speaks well of H. G. Wells that he is consistent in his idea of a World Brain and a World Federation and of World Co-operation, when after a devastating chapter on the Jewish influence, wherein he laments Jewish isolation throughout the ages, he should pick for his publisher an obviously Jewish one. But that is H. G. Wells, a man not of the moment but for all time.

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I read "The Fate of the Homo Sapiens" as I would a crisp editorial on world affairs in the morning paper. It is different from the rest of H. G. Wells. It is more modern in its exposition, with less trace of biology than usual and dealing with present day in terms of the future. It is a futuristic presentation of reality. It expresses his hopes, his fears of the future which seems to loom over us in terms of the things and the events that are happening to-day. His chapter heads, however, still remain as Wellsian as ever. One in particular—"History Becomes Ecology" —necessitated an excursion to the Oxford dictionary, but it is the latter half of the book, which is more journalese and easily understandable.

"We are now in a field of thought from which it is impossible to banish temperamental estimate of values. I find a certain defeatism has invaded my mind in the course of the past year. I anticipate very little happiness in the residue of my life." That is the verdict of H. G. Wells on the events of today. It is his estimate of that ever enduring quality in man, Hope.

But what would he expect from the morrow? "The man of the new world order, if ever it is to be attained, must learn to go right on without leaders, just as he must learn to go on without God." This is in his best style. It is that typical Wells expression, which makes prudes squirm and accuse him of being an unbeliever, and a heresy-hunter. Yet he is none of that. Perhaps more than any other person he expresses that "common and world" idea in spite of the acute nationalist isolation, which has ostracised him from everywhere. In this recent book, he seems to care little about the unpopularity his writing may cause. His disillusionment seems to have already been complete.

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He has a pungent chapter on the British oligarchy. It is the most damaging criticism of the English outlook, I have read. He says: "Everything indeed outside that little anecdotal world of theirs with its importance and routines, they would like to go on for ever, they know little about as possible.... Manifestly the mentality now ruling is one in which 'Bolshies' are the enemies of God and man, men who go east are 'pukka sahibs,' royalties, beloved mascots whose very pet dogs are adorable, and workers honest drudges so long as they are not 'spoilt,' with only one weakness, susceptibility to foreign agitators."

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His comments on the present Prime Minister would well be called "in bad taste" by the audiences that attend our progressive groups. "I cannot see him," Wells says, "as anything but essentially ignorant, narrow-minded, sub-consciously timid, cunning and inordinately vain. He and his father Joseph before him appear to me as the appointed scavengers of the fading Imperial dream....I do not think Mr. Chamberlain wants to 'save the Empire.' The Empire came and the Empire may have to go He adheres to something less transi-

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Frankly Speaking

Illuminating Admission

Here is an illuminating extract from the proceedings of the Zionist Congress at Geneva:

"A policy of moderation was urged by Professor Brodetsky, head of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency in London. He said he believed the White Paper policy was doomed to failure, since it could never be carried out in a country *where 99 per cent of its economic power was in the hands of the Jews.* He urged the further strengthening of the economic power of Jews in Palestine. . . " (our italics).

This valuable and open admission of the present position by a Jewish authority himself is the best commentary on what forcible Jewish immigration into Palestine has meant for the Arabs and what it is going to mean in the future. It also throws a flood of light on British policy—to say nothing of that of the Mandates Commission—from the point of view of Arab rights and interests, present and future.

A Great Improvement

The Bombay Government's Land Revenue Code Bill has passed its third reading in the Legislative Assembly by a comfortable majority of 67 votes against 31, and its adoption by the Legislative Council is only a question of days. All have agreed that it is a great improvement upon the present system. The principles of revenue assessment have been brought under direct legislative control for the first time and it is not possible for the Executive to modify them without the consent of the Legislature. Secondly, the pitch of assessment has been substantially reduced by over 30 per cent. And in practice the reduction will be greater, as the rents on which the revenue is to be assessed will be appreciably reduced as a result of the new Tenancy legislation.

A Wide Programme

The only reasonable criticism urged against the Bill by the Opposition was that it was not better still or so good as might have been expected from a Congress Government. This is, indeed, a tribute to Congress at that body, as pointed out by the Revenue Minister, had deliberately refrained from promising a definite and immediate reduction in the Land Revenue. Moreover, the Bill should be judged as part of a wider programme of relief to the agriculturist, including the Tenancy Bill, Agricultural Debtors Bill, prohibition, expansion of education and general rural development. It is impossible to go much further in reducing the revenue at the same time and adding to the expenditure on nation building activities all at once. The Interim Ministry dared not attempt half as much.

Harijans In Government Schools

Replying to a question in the Bombay Legislative Assembly, Mr. Kher, the Premier, stated that a number of Harijan students had been refused admission to Government schools for want of accommodation. This is a great pity, when strenuous attempts are being made by Government and public alike to promote education among Harijans. Was it not possible for Government to relax their rules about the maximum number of students in a school and in each class or to secure admission to the disappointed students in near-by aided schools, while ensuring to them the scholarships they would have received in Government schools? Mr. Kher has given an assurance that the whole position regarding admission of students to secondary schools will be revised in 1940. Is it impossible to revise the position immediately on the lines we have suggested?

A Thought For The Day

The greatest single obstacle to national unity and world peace at the present time is the personality of Mr. Chamberlain and the distrust which his policy has inspired.

What is the use of calling Mr. Chamberlain a peacemaker when, at the end of his two years of office as Prime Minister, we are nearer war than at any time since 1918!

The tragedy is that the application of fresh and hopeful principles to the government of the world has been in the hands of old men with pre-war minds. In the hands of younger men with fresh minds, like Mr. Eden, and of men with a Liberal outlook and temper, they would have been the sheet-anchor of peace and justice in the world.—Sir Archibald Sinclair.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

Communist circles are so bewildered at Russia's apparent change of front that the "Daily Worker" went to Press without printing a word about the matter. It explained that the editor had cabled Moscow for confirmation and explanation but had not yet received a reply.

—New York Report.

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Deshgaurab Subhas Babu appeals to Rajen Babu to "treat the Bengal P.C.C. as he would have treated the Gujarat P.C.C. or Andhra P.C.C."

An appeal to Subhas Babu to let the Bengal P.C.C. treat Rajen Babu and the Congress as the Gujarat or Andhra P.C.C.'s would treat them would, of course, be quite un-called for, un-warranted, unfair and unjust.

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"What is probably the last lap in the joint discussions by the Princes among themselves as well as with the Crown Representative and his officers began to-day."

—Simla Report.

And by the day after to-morrow Their Highnesses will more than probably have reached their spirituo-political Home.

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Anglo-India urges that "common action by the Western Powers is the only method of restraining Japan in view of the critical situation in Europe."

We seem to recollect that when America suggested common action over the Manchukuo "incident" Britain—but we must not forget that then there was no "critical situation in Europe" nor were any Britons stripped of their trousers.

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"The new agreement (between Russia and Germany) may improve not only economic but also political relations."

—The Pravda.

Sorry to bore you with the one you have already heard before. But we are again reminded of the old comment of a Polish newspaper about Russia joining the anti-Comintern Pact.

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When in January the abrogation of the Japanese-American commercial treaty comes into force Russia should agree to an alternative treaty with Japan.

That too may improve not only economic but also political relations.

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HERR HITLER EXPECTED TO MAKE SENSATIONAL SPEECH

—Headline.

He ought to say something sensational to mark his appreciation of Comrade Stalin's offer to draw the Fuehrer's chestnuts out of the fire.

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London official circles are silent on the announcements from Berlin and Moscow.

Even Sir Horace Wilson must have been struck dumb by the magnitude and unexpectedness of the great boon.

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Great activity continued at the Foreign Office, says a Rome message.

Italy must naturally be preparing to implement the Anti-Comintern Pact between Germany and Russia.

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"Neither in Germany nor in Italy has anyone demanded or asked anything from the Hungarian Government or its Foreign Minister," so declares Count Csaky.

All that has happened then is that every one in Germany and Italy has made it clear that Hungary must do her duty—er—voluntarily.

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She: 'You were always a fault-finder.'

He: 'Yes, dear; that's why I found you.'

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Some die of heart failure and some live with head failure.

Too often a fellow's charity seems to be glued to his fingers.

Nightshirts should last longer than dress-shirts because they are never worn out.

These great men who assert that they began life as school teachers must have been precocious infants.

If you have learned to "know thyself," then you are not apt to give thyself away.

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It is not an uncommon thing for the good to go to the bad; otherwise there would be no missionaries.

No Vested Interests In Indian Army!

CHATFIELD COMMITTEE'S DRASTIC PROPOSALS

Simla Alarmed: Publication Of Report Withheld

(FROM OUR CORESPONDENT)

SIMLA, August 22.

NO official intimation is yet available regarding the date of publication of Government's decisions on the Chatfield Committee's recommendations.

Significant comment appears in a well-known London Military journal which says "We understand, the Report of the Chatfield Commission has reached the Government of India and rumour has it, that its recommendations are so drastic, yet so difficult to refute, that its publication is being held up pending last minute efforts of last ditchers to save something from the wreck of vested interests".

According to the paper's forecast, there will be new age limits and three year staff appointments hereafter for Indian Army. Another, likely development foreshadowed in the same London journal is some liberal scheme of State education of Indian soldiers' children.

A complaint made by this paper is that "although large sums are spent annually on the education not only of British troops in India but of their children, little is spent on Indian troops and nothing on Regimental schools for children of Indian soldiers."

In its opinion, the schools now provided at Jhelum, Juliundur, Ajmer are not adequate to meet the Indian Army's needs. It is, therefore, anticipated as a result of Chatfield enquiry that an enlarged scheme for the education of Indian soldiers' children may be provided.

Interesting reactions in the London military journals to the enquiry now going on by the Army Indianisation Committee are also available. Three conclusions are put forward. Firstly, that "the son of an advocate and a bania"—so it describes an officer from non-martial classes—makes better peacetime soldier and staff-officer than a boy from the fighting races who who works his way through ranks. Secondly, sons of ruling classes, boys of good family make best all-round officers, and are better able to command the respect of their men but that "there are few of these." Thirdly, an Indian Army cadet who works his way through the ranks via the Kitchener College to the military academy makes a fairly good platoon commander but laks education to enable him to go much higher.

Disappointment For Princes?

Simla's Plain-Speaking: No Substance In Their "Rights And Privileges"

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

SIMLA, August 22.

IT appears, the Princes who hurried to Simla in the hope of getting better terms for Federation have been sorely disappointed. Their talks with the Political Department have brought home to them, that their demands, or rather apprehensions about their rights and privileges had no substance.

It is understood they were told across the table "if these were your demands, you need not have passed any restless nights". This is meant to indicate that their memorandum did not contain any vital matters.

It appears the Princes got some satisfaction on details, but the substance has been left untouched.

It is understood, they have been clearly told that their demand for protection against "subversive" movements from British India had no relation to the question of Federation and that was an independent problem arising out of provincial autonomy. Further, they have been assured about some suitable adjustment about machinery for the exercise of Federal authority in States.

I learn that the Princes have not been asked categorically to say whether they accept all terms offered or not, but only to express their general attitude to Federation on terms offered. It seems several States like Cochin, Baroda, Mysore and Bahawalpore have already expressed satisfaction with the offer and judging from what has been happening here, some States would follow suit.

Meanwhile, the Jam Sahib and his team move down to Delhi for further talks among themselves.

JAPANESE REACTION

(Continued from Page 1).

ments an entirely new situation now confronts Japan. The "Nichi-Nichi Shimbun" chain of newspapers declare that the Cabinet members, who so often met to discuss Japan's policy toward the European situation, will now be compelled to abandon their work and formulate a new policy. —Reuter.

CHINESE OPTIMISM

SHANGHAI:—The announcement of the Pact has caused bewilderment in Chinese circles who are optimistic that the Pact will detach Germany from Japan and by protecting Russia in Europe will leave her a free hand against Japan.—Reuter.

WHY THIS 'VOLTE FACE'?

BERLIN:—The Nazi Party organ "Voelkische Beobachter" carried two red headlines eight inches high underlined in black across the entire front page.

The news is published without comment to the mystification of the people who are anxious to learn what has caused the Third Reich to make such a complete 'volte face' and it was with serious faces that they rode into town to work.

Political circles, however, are well pleased with the Pact which has "taken the encirclers unawares". It is not expected that Herr von Ribbentrop will fly across Poland when he goes to Moscow.

Herr von Ribbentrop is flying from Salzburg to Koenigsberg, whence he will fly to Moscow tomorrow.

A wide interpretation of the Berlin-Moscow negotiations is given in Dr. Goebbels' "Angriff" which says: "Herr von Ribbentrop is going to Moscow as a plenipotentiary of the Fuehrer in order to talk with the Soviet about this new political relationship of friendship and to examine its further possibilities. The simple man in the street realises that in this resumption of a historic German-Russian policy, Germany did not waste time in talking. Both sides were determined to extend commercial discussions to the political field. The new agreement offers both countries great possibilities."—Reuter.

END OF ANTI-COMINTERN PACT!

Hitler Caught In A "Cul-De-Sac"

HIS FACE-SAVING DEVICE

PARIS, August 22.

THE French press to-night takes the line that the German-Soviet Pact might have been expected in view of Moscow's "shilly-shallying" and her recent Trade Agreement.

It is also considered that the Pact may not have the results hoped for by Germany.

Describing it as the most complete reversal of policy and doctrines of the history in Europe, "Le Temps" says: "The Reich Government, caught in a *Cul De Sac*, had to create a new Pact. A Non-Aggression Pact with the Soviet, however contrary to the nature of things, appeared to be the surest means of obstructing an Anglo-French-Soviet Military *Entente*. The game is daring but it is not certain to have the results hoped for in Berlin.

The Pact apparently means the end of the Anti-Comintern Pact a denial of all the doctrines of Nazi regime and an abandonment of any plans that Germany may have had for a thrust towards the Baltic countries, Ukraine and Black Sea.

One is inclined to believe that the Fuehrer, in a difficult situation, wishes to act speedily to ward off the peril which he has created and is making this tragical withdrawal, while saving the face of his regime by a spectacular diplomatic success."—Reuter.

AMERICAN PRESS CONDEMNS MOVE

Red Journal Bewildered

NEW YORK, August 21

The first reaction was that the Kremlin wearied after months of haggling with Britain and France has played its last card, and if the Western Powers still decline to meet its terms, is prepared to stand aside and let Germany have her own way with Poland, and if necessary, the Baltic States who refused to accept Russia's military assistance.

While it is thought that the peace front without Russia will be hard put to it to fulfil its obligations to Poland some well-informed circles remain optimistic declaring that the signature of the Franco-German Non-Aggression Pact did not prevent her being a cornerstone against the aggression front to-day.

It is easy to imagine M. Stalin as he surveys the sharpening struggle between Fascist and Democratic powers resolving to let them fight it out declares the "New York Times" commenting on the projected German Soviet Non-Aggression Pact and adds the immediate effect will be to alter the war balance in Europe and to undermine the position of Poland in the Danzig dispute.

The New York "Herald Tribune" reports that diplomatic reaction in Washington was that the projected pact was "a terrible break".

According to "Herald Tribune" one official remarked if the Nazis are able to get the pact while the British and French have failed to obtain any military agreement".

"It would be one of the greatest diplomatic victories any European power has obtained since the Great War".

Communist circles are so bewildered at Russia's apparent change of front that the "Daily Worker" went to press without printing a word about the matter.

It explained that the editor had cabled Moscow for confirmation and explanation but had not yet received a reply.

President Roosevelt was informed of German-Soviet Pact moves by wireless while cruising off the coast of New Foundland in the United States warship 'Tuscaloosa'.—Reuter.

CONSCRIPTION FOR MALAY STATES

KUALA LAMPUR, Aug. 22.

In my opinion there will and should be conscription in Malaya, declared Sir Shenton Thomas, Governor and High Commissioner, in a speech to the Federal Council. He added: "I am addressing the Secretary of State on the subject and hope that before long legislation will be enacted here. —Reuter.

POLAND ISOLATED

ROME:—"One may speak without hesitation of the renewed failure of the Franco-British policy," writes Signor Gayda in "Giornale d'Italia."

Signor Gayda continues: "The announcement of the Pact is a bitter surprise for the encirclement policy and for Poland. We warned Poland on Saturday evening that millions of Little Russians and White Prussians live on the borders of her territory. Poland is now isolated. Britain and France calculated in their engagement toward Poland on the Russian contribution; now they must take risks alone."—Reuter.

HUNGARIAN VIEW

BUDAPEST:—The news of the proposed German-Soviet Pact is a diplomatic bombshell," says "Magyarsag," a Hungarian Nazi paper.

The conservative "Pestihiralap" says that it is equivalent to a radical change in the world equilibrium.

The "Magyar Nemzet" writes: The new course of German foreign policy is unparalleled. It has taken a complete right about turn from the Anti-Comintern Pact. Berlin cannot now support the Japanese orientation against the Soviet and Japan could only remain in the triangle if Germany succeeded in directing the Japanese foreign policy more completely against Britain, Australia and India."—Reuter.

Paris Press Comments

PARIS, Aug. 22.

The official announcement of the pending German-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact is published prominently in the French Press, though certain newspapers put an interrogation mark at the end of the announcement and comments are scarce.

"L'Ordre" writes we may be allowed not to take this pact too seriously.

"L'Oeuvre asks: Has Russia joined the Anti-Comintern Pact? and adds we learned late last night that the economic pact would pass into a political pact. We are not completely surprised. We have no intention of losing our 'sangfroid' nor making foolish forecasts of events.—Reuter.

NEW SOVIET WARSHIP

MOSCOW, August 22.

A new Soviet Warship, described as the first of its class, from Vladivostock Dockyards is joining the Pacific Fleet. No details are yet available, but a vague statement that "many thousands of workers were employed in the construction" implies that the vessel

How News Was Received At World's Capitals

BERLIN, August 21.

Officially the German News Agency announced to-day that Germany and Soviet Russia have agreed to conclude a Non-Aggression Pact and Herr von Ribbentrop is going to Moscow on Wednesday to complete the negotiations for a pact.

A telegram from London says:—Official circles hitherto are silent on the Berlin-Moscow announcements and the impending German-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact.

The manner in which the announcements are displayed in the morning papers reflects the surprise with which news undoubtedly will be received in informed unofficial circles.

RUSSIA'S THREE-FOLD PURPOSE

MOSCOW, August 21.

The Official Tass Agency announcement confirming the impending German-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact says:—

"After the conclusion of the Soviet-German trade credit agreement there arose the problem of improving political relations between Germany and the U. S. S. R. an exchange of views on this subject which took place between the Governments of Germany and the U. S. S. R. established that both parties desire to relieve the tension in their political relations, to eliminate war menace and to conclude a Non-Aggression Pact. Consequently, Herr von Ribbentrop will arrive in Moscow in a few days for corresponding negotiations."—Reuter.

WASHINGTON ALARMED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.

Astonishment coupled with alarm at what is described as a "Stunning blow at Britain's peace front" is expressed in high quarters over the reported German-Russian Non-Aggression Pact move.—Reuter.

NOT SO CATASTROPHIC

With the first shock of surprise over, officials here are inclined to believe that the announcement of the projected Soviet-German Pact is not quite so catastrophic as it first appeared. The State Department has hitherto withheld comment, pending clarification of the announcement.

"SILVER LINING"

Well-informed circles, however, enumerate a number of points as possibly constituting "a silver lining."

Firstly, it is pointed out that the Soviet which demanded such a high price from Britain can hardly have surrendered all its bargaining power by giving Germany a free hand in Eastern Europe;

Secondly, continued German aggression throughout that area could scarcely be in the Soviet's interest;

Thirdly, Herr Hitler has certainly paid highly by weakening the Anti-Comintern Pact and exposing Japan to the threat of a stronger Soviet and Chinese resistance in the Far East.

BLOW TO BRITISH DIPLOMACY

It is stated that the last point cannot fail to cause some satisfaction here. It is balanced, however, by a regret that though aggression in the Far East has received a setback, the European Peace Front has received a severe blow, particularly the diplomacy of Britain which it has been President Roosevelt's constant desire in recent months to strengthen.—Reuter.

LONDON, Aug 22.

The death is announced of the famous illusionist, Horace Goldin, at the age of 65.—Reuter.

WARSAW NOT IMPRESSED

WARSAW, Aug. 22.

The official reaction to the German-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact move hitherto is not forthcoming owing to the lateness of the hour when the news was received but it is understood that the announcement did not cause any particular impression in Warsaw.

The Polish view seems to be that the news shows firstly that the Soviet does not wish, as Poland always has believed, to intervene in European affairs, secondly the Soviet considers Poland strong enough with the backing she already has received to face German aggression, thirdly Germany for her part is carrying on a war of nerves.—Reuter.

BERLINERS RUB THEIR EYES

BERLIN, August 22.

Berliners rubbed their eyes twice when they read the announcement of the impending conclusion of the Non-Aggression Pact with the Soviet in special editions of the morning papers.

Surprise at this sudden development of relations between Germany and Bolshevist Russia is undisguised. The newspapers carry the announcement in the biggest possible type but hitherto without comment. The negotiations kept an exceedingly close secret were presumably known only to a few high officials since there is not one Wilhemstrasse's spokesman who does not profess "greatest surprise".

Foreign political circles regard the move as tremendous success for Germany is completely changing political situation in Europe and perhaps only a beginning of more important developments. The effect on Germany's relations with Spain and Japan is awaited with great interest. It is thought that Japan will probably not be too pleased with rapprochement between Berlin and Moscow as she had no doubt counted on closer relations with Nazi Powers at the expense of Russia.—Reuter.

Tenancy Bill

OPPOSITION'S DILATORY TACTICS PROVE FUTILE

Fate Of Amendments To Refer Bill Back To Select Committee

PARTY LEADER AND FOLLOWERS PULL IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE)

POONA, August 22.

PRACTICALLY TRUNCATED BY MOST OF THE OPPOSITION MEMBERS WHO ATTENDED A GARDEN PARTY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMELY FELL INTO A LIGHTER VEIN TOWARDS THE CLOSE OF THE DEBATE ON THE BILL TO PROTECT TENANTS IN BOMBAY PROVINCE WHEN IT WAS TAKEN FOR DISCUSSION CLAUSE BY CLAUSE TO-DAY.

MR. S. B. JHABVALA IN HIS ENTHUSIASM FOR GIVING GREATER RELIEF TO PEASANTS HELD THE FIELD. BY CERTAIN AMENDMENTS HE AND MR. GAIKWAD WANTED CUTTING OF GRASS OR WOOD TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DEFINITION OF AGRICULTURE, CONTRARY TO GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION.

DESAI'S ASSURANCE SEQUEL

When Mr. Morarji Desai gave an assurance that he would again look into the matter to see whether any such alterations could be made, Mr. Gaikwad withdrew his amendment, but Mr. Jhabvala did not do so, evidently confused.

At a later stage, when the Deputy Speaker Mr. N. G. Joshi was presiding, he wanted by an amendment to include any other work in which a cultivator had spent time and energy during the period of his tenancy to be included in the definition, improvement for purposes of giving protection to the tenant.

Mr. Kher, the Premier asked whether digging of wells and refilling in fields came under the category and to the hearty laugh of the House, Mr. Jhabvala replied in the affirmative. He was discussing another such amendment when the Deputy Speaker pointed out that the subject would again be raised for discussion and suggested that arguments on that point might be deferred.

Mr. Jhabvala was still proceeding when the closing hour struck. The Deputy Speaker asked Mr. Jhabvala, how much time he would take. Mr. Jhabvala replied, "a couple of minutes" and the Deputy Speaker allowed him time. Mr. Jhabvala looking at the clock said he might take more time when the House roared with laughter again.

DILATORY TACTICS

At the outset dilatory tactics were resorted to by some members in the Opposition in moving amendments to refer back the whole Bill or certain provisions of the Bill to a Select Committee.

Mr. P. W. Wagh first moved that the Bill be referred back to a fresh Select Committee. Speaker suggested, according to the rules he could only refer it to the Select Committee and not to a fresh one and he did so.

Division was demanded and the amendment was lost seven voting for and seventy against, I. L. P., voting against and the League remaining neutral. The leader of the Democratic Swaraj Party and his followers pulled in different directions but on Mr. Karandikar's motion almost identical in nature, Mr. Jamnadas came to the rescue of the followers and welcomed the move although on a previous occasion he had remained neutral.

The Second Reading of the Bill was opposed by representatives of landlords.

"MADE GREAT STRIDES"

The Bill as it emerged from the Select Committee has made great strides even according to responsible Opposition members as it enlarged the scope of the Bill and gave greater protection and amenities to tenants. Congress amendments for the elucidation of certain points only will come up for discussion and it is expected will be accepted by Government.

Except for about four members the League Benches were empty.

After 4 p.m., most of them apparently away at the Governor's party. So were also the leader of the Democratic Swaraj Party and Sir Dhanjisha Cooper, Leader of the People's and Peasants Party who made his appearance in the Assembly for the first time.

(Details On Page 16.)

BOMBAY TENANCY BILL

Cultivators Hit Hard By New Legislation

An examination of the present Tenancy Bill even as it emerges from the Select Committee shows that it leaves much to be desired.

If one peeps into the details of this Bill one wonders whether it is for the benefit of the landlord or the tenant. The right conceded in this Bill to the landlord to terminate protected tenancy at any time leaves the tenant at the mercy of the landlord, as before.

The landlord is allowed to resume the land without paying any compensation to the tenant for the termination of his right to hold the land as a protected tenant. He is assured of his rent under the threat of eviction, while the tenant will constantly have to bear in mind that if he does not submit to the whims of the landlord he will be deprived of his tenancy almost under any pretext.

The most natural consequence of eviction in many cases will be that the evicted tenant will leave his village for good and go to some big town like Bombay or Ahmedabad to earn his livelihood as a labourer.

The measure is defective even from a constructive point of view inasmuch as it does not provide for rent settlements in future as is done in the Burma Tenancy Act.

Again in framing this Bill Government has not given attention to the practical difficulties that might arise in the actual working of this measure, such as for instance, in the case of lands held by co-operative societies. Enactments like the Mamlatdars' Courts Act which are intimately concerned with the termination of tenancies seem to have been entirely lost sight of.

OM MANDLI BANNED

Sind Govt. Orders Confiscation Of Buildings And Funds

(From Our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, Aug. 22.

The Sind Government it is understood, on good authority, have passed severe orders to curb the activities of the "Om Mandli" regarding which continued complaints were being made to them.

Under these orders, the buildings occupied by Dada Lekhraj the founder of the Mandli and his alleged associates are to be taken possession of by Government. All funds standing in the name of the Om Mandli and Om Niwas are to be confiscated.

Governor's Garden Party

POONA, Aug. 22.

Over a thousand men and women forming the elite of Poona including Civil and Military officers and prominent non-officials, attended the Garden party given by His Excellency the Governor and Lady Lumley at Government House, Ganeshkhind this evening. Prominent among the guests were the Maharaja of Idar, the Raja of Bhor, the Thakur Saheb of Lathi, and the Maharajakumar of Dharampur.—A. P.

C. L. Gupta In River Tragedy

Deputy Director Of Industries To C. P. Govt.

(From Our Correspondent)

NAGPUR, August 22

Mr. C. L. Gupta, Deputy Director of Industries appointed only last year met with a fatal accident on 19th when he along with a "Chrysler" car was swept away in the rising waters of nala, between Amraoti and Yeotmal district. His 'chaprasi' was saved. Ramlal the chaprasi gave the following report of the tragedy.

The Hague, Aug. 21.—The Government have accepted the Belgian invitation and will be represented by the Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

NO FURTHER CABINET MEETINGS.

LONDON, Aug. 22.

It is understood that no further meetings of the Cabinet have been arranged but the ministers have been asked to stand by.—Reuter.

Famine Relief Plans Of Bombay Govt.

Novel Idea Of Cattle Transportation

WORKS IN KHANDESH: EFFORTS OF DISTRICT LOCAL BOARD

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

RELIEF WORKS INVOLVING AN EXPENDITURE OF RS. 2,35,000 WILL BE UNDERTAKEN IMMEDIATELY BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY IN THE EAST AND WEST KHANDESH DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT TO THOSE WHO ARE AFFECTED IN THE SCARCITY AREAS.

WORKS IN KHANDESH.

The Executive Engineer, Khandesh Division, has been instructed to start in several places before the end of August, the work of breaking and carting metal on roads in all the scarcity talukas of the two Khandesh districts as this form of work is most suitable for affording immediate relief to the unemployed labour near their homes.

The following works are proposed to be taken as emergency arises:—

	Rs.
Breaking and carting metal on Provincial Roads ...	1,00,000
Extension of Shirpur Raver Road (Raver to the Presidency frontier) ...	15,000
Village approach roads (District Local Board, East Khandesh) ...	30,000
Repairs to tanks and bandharas (District Local Board, East Khandesh)	15,000
Tank at Ahmedgar ...	12,000
Tank at Laling ...	25,000
Taloda-Raisingpur Road	48,000
Shahada-Shirpur Road	30,000
Kalambhis-Dusana Road metal collection (District Local Board, West Khandesh) ...	10,000

D. L. B.'S EFFORTS.

Besides the Government relief schemes, the District Local Board of East Khandesh has also started some works in several places for affording relief to the unemployed.

Reports of rainfall from Gujarat though not quite satisfactory, hold out prospects of some alleviation of the present distress. Though the rainfall was less than half an inch on Monday, it is felt that if the present spell of wet weather continues for a week, the scarcity of grass may diminish. This will mean some relief to the cattle but the crops, it is reported, have suffered damage beyond repair.

It is feared that this famine will considerably affect the budgetary position of Government. It is obviously impossible to expect the starving peasants to pay their land revenue dues. Actual figures of the amount of revenue collections that will have to be suspended have not yet been worked out but it is estimated that nearly fifty lakhs of rupees will remain uncollected. What portion of this sum will have to be finally remitted depends on the crop prospects of the next season. But it is more than probable that a good half of this sum will have to be relinquished completely. In addition to this, Government will have to spend on relief works. Nearly 3 lakhs of rupees have already been sanctioned for relief works in East Khandesh and other schemes are being rapidly worked out.

"NOVEL" SCHEME.

THE MOST NOVEL SCHEME OF RELIEF THAT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED TO GOVERNMENT IS ONE OF TRANSPORTING CATTLE FROM THE AFFECTED AREAS TO DIFFERENT JUNGLES.

This will require the setting up of an elaborate organisation to collect the cattle, transport them, maintain them during the drought and return them to their owners at the end. The alternative scheme of buying fodder from distant provinces of the country which may have surplus stocks and transporting the fodder to the famine areas appears to be simpler of operation.

Government are considering the cost of the respective schemes.

The position is somewhat nebulous at present because the rainfall that has set in may change the situation considerably.

HELP TO SAVE SITUATIONS.

A SHORT STORY

No Happy Union

(By Barbara Ann Benedict)

The young folks in Ashton thought it would be fine if Jennie Hayford would fall in love with some one and marry him. Jennie had a combination of physical beauty and personal charm that was rare, rare indeed in a community the size of Ashton. She was so much more attractive than her contemporaries that she had things pretty much her own way with local young men and strangers who came to Ashton to visit.

Jennie's girl friends had long since resigned themselves to her superiority. If Jennie took a fancy to a man, they withdrew. They knew their pride would suffer if they didn't. If they felt bitter and resentful, they covered up these feelings masterfully, for only a fool would try to compete with any one who had what Jennie had.

After awhile, however, the situation became a bit annoying. The other girls of Ashton began to wonder if Jennie would ever fail hard enough for one man to marry him and thereby put her out of the running.

In fact, Jennie herself had begun to wonder if she was ever going to meet the right man. She had learned that she could be choosey, and to date she had found something wrong with all the swains who offered their hearts and hands. She was almost on the verge of believing there was no man in the world who could quite satisfy her demands—when she met Chet Long.

Chet had come up from Philadelphia, representing a construction company there, and was spending a month at the Ashton House. He knew the Butterworths, and Betty Butterworth introduced him to Jennie, and Jennie knew right then and there that she had met her man. She knew that he was the only man, that she could never be happy without him. So she turned on her charm, ignored the bitter, enraged look in Betty's eyes, and proceeded to cast her spell over Chet Long.

Chet was willing. Up until the time he met Jennie he had been thinking seriously about Betty, but Jennie made him forget a lot of things. A week passed, two weeks, and Jennie knew she had Mr. Long right where she wanted him. She knew that the next time they

Jennie knew right then and there that she had met her man.

went out together, Chet would propose.

That day Jennie read an article in a magazine in which a learned man discussed young people getting married. The learned man declared that if youngsters on the verge of matrimony would pay less attention to Hollywood and more to hereditary and eugenic laws, there would be a lot more happy unions and fewer divorces in the country.

Jennie mulled this over in her mind. The learned man, she decided, was right. Moreover, she had better take his advice. It was going to be comparatively easy to catch Chet Long, but she certainly wanted to hold him after she caught him.

Chet called for her the next evening in his sports roadster. They drove out to Raymond's Pavilion and danced a while, and then started home, taking the road that led around the lake by way of Clairville. Jennie's heart beat a little faster. She had acted surprised at Chet's suggestion to start home so early, but she had agreed quickly enough. She knew what was coming.

It was a beautiful night. A full moon brightened the country-side. Chet parked the roadster in a pine grove on the shore of the lake; the water gleamed through the trees. It was warm, but there was a soft breeze, wafting to them the heady odour of growing things.

"Isn't it wonderful?" Chet said after awhile. "Gosh, this is the kind of night you read about. It—it sort of makes me feel—well, look, Jennie, ever since Betty introduced us I've been unable to think of anything else but—"

"Wait a minute, Chet. I—think I know what you're going to say. Before you say it, I feel that we ought to have a frank and open discussion about the eugenic law and heredity."

"What's that?"

"Well, I wouldn't want you to—well, I think you ought to know something about my background, and I about yours."

"Really?"

"Yes. It's only fair for you to know that my grandfather drank a lot. I suppose it's in our blood, though my mother and I have no indications of it yet".

"Humm."

"And my Uncle Fred was put away for six months once. He struck his head when he fell out of an apple tree."

"Good heavens!"

"And grandma, on father's side, was once indicted for murder, though she was acquitted".

"You don't say!"

"My folks?" Chet lighted a cigarette, thoughtfully blew a cloud of smoke. "Well, there was granddad, now. He was arrested and hung for being a horse-thief. My other grandfather spent the greater part of his life in Sing Sing. Grandma was divorced three times, and all my uncles are bugs. The moon's gone behind a cloud, let's go home."

Three days later, Chet Long returned to Philadelphia. Betty Butterworth went with him as his wife. The girls of Ashton are gnashing their teeth because Jennie is unmarried, and Jennie is mad too. But none of them know why.

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FODDER AND GRAIN REGULATION ORDINANCE

Bombay Govt. Review Position and Order Release Of Contracted Orders For Grass To Kathiawar States

POONA, Aug. 22.

Transport of fodder from this province which was regulated by an ordinance recently is the subject of a press note issued by the Government of Bombay this evening.

The press note says:—"As the scarcity situation, particularly in Gujarat, was getting worse day by day, Government was obliged about 10 days ago to promulgate an ordinance, with a view to preventing unhealthy speculation and profiteering in respect of the principal food-grains and fodder. Powers were taken under this ordinance to prevent the export and control the prices of food-grains and fodder in certain badly affected districts. A large quantity of fodder aggregating to about 50 lakhs of lbs. purchased prior to the promulgation of the ordinance by the durbars and other private agencies in Kathiawar, was accordingly held up at various stations in the Ahmedabad district.

RELEASE ORDER.

Government has now had time to review the whole position, and in view of the stocks of grass still available in the Thana and Surat districts, has decided, in deference to the requests made by the various durbars and by the Resident in Kathiawar, on their behalf, to release at one all the grass consigned to Kathiawar States which was actually on rail on the 12th August—the day on which the Ordinance was promulgated.

Government has also decided in principle to allow the export of such further quantities of grass, in respect of which valid contracts can be satisfactorily shown to have been entered into by the parties concerned, prior to the date of the ordinance, and orders to this effect have now been issued to all the collectors concerned, authorising them to issue export permits in all cases where the conditions laid down above are fulled.

What the Government wishes to emphasize in this connection is that action to impose restrictions was taken only when stocks of fodder in the province were seriously being depleted and the lives of the indigenous cattle of the province were in jeopardy. If, hereafter, the situation appreciably improves, Government will be ready to relax the restrictions in favour of Kathiawar and other scarcity affected areas, consistently with its primary obligations to the people of its own province.—A. P.

THAR VILLAGE DACOITY

Daring Act In Broad Daylight

KARACHI, Aug. 22.

Chachro in Thar district where acute famine is raging was the scene of a serious dacoity in broad daylight when fourteen men armed with guns and on camel back raided the village. Before indulging in loot they damaged telegraph and telephone wires, thus separating the village from the outside world.

The dacoits then kept the villagers at bay by brandishing weapons and ransacked the safes of the rich people of the village.

They left the village with a booty worth Rs. 50,000.—United Press.

Karachi Corporation Grant For Thar Famine Relief

KARACHI, Aug. 22.

With a view to rendering relief in Thar district where famine has broken out, Mr. R. K. Sidhwa, Mayor of Karachi, has inaugurated a fund with a contribution of Rs. 5,000 from the Corporation.—United Press.

DROUGHT RELIEF MEASURE

In view of the acute distress due to the prolonged drought, the Government of Bombay has directed that on all the irrigation works in its charge, water for raising fodder crops during the current monsoon season should be allowed at the rate of Re. 1 per acre for all areas which are applied for before 15th September 1939.

Rabi jowar crop if planted and applied for before 15th September 1939, will be allowed water at the rate of Rs. 3 per acre.

GREATER AMENITIES TO KISAN PRISONERS

RANCHI, Aug. 22.

The question of giving greater amenities to Kisan prisoners in jails is engaging the attention of the Bihar Government.

It is understood that the Government are contemplating to place such prisoners in a special class who will be given more milk, meat and eggs, if non-vegetarians, and more clothings. They will also be given more facilities for writing letters and lights will be allowed till ten at night for reading and writing. They will also be supplied with daily newspapers and books prescribed by the Government.—United Press.

ARRESTS IN PATAUDI

PATAUDI, Aug. 22.

Since the Pataudi State Praja Mandal had been declared unlawful, it is stated that almost all the leaders of the Mandal and about 95 volunteers have been arrested.

Several leaders including Mr. Nand Kishore Thakur, Mr. Sardar Singh, Mr. Kehar Singh and several others offered Satyagraha with batches of volunteers on Sunday and were arrested.

The total number of arrests so far reaches 125.—United Press.

BURMESE PAPERS OBSERVE HARTAL

Protest Against Security Order

RANGOON, Aug. 22.

There will be no issues of the Burmese newspapers on August 23 as a protest against an order demanding securities from some Rangoon papers.

This decision was taken at a meeting of the Association of Burmese Journalists.—United Press.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS HOUSING COMMISSION

NEW DELHI, Aug. 19.

The Housing Commission of the League of Nations had been engaged from 1926-38 in studying various questions of hygiene which are connected with indoor life i.e., the environmental conditions governing bodily heat exchanges, noise abatement, insolation and natural and artificial lighting.

The Commission has still to take up the question of housing in tropical regions. With a view to an effective study of this question which will probably cover two years, the Commission will devote its attention to the following topics:—

Definition of healthy urban and rural dwellings, as well as healthy cities and rural areas;

Regional types of dwellings and urban and rural planning;

Methods of Housing Surveys;

Questions of organisation, administration and legislation in relation to the hygiene of housing and the hygiene of towns and rural areas.

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MUTT AND JEFF—Well, Can't a Couple of Elephants Have a Slight Touch of Romance? By BUD FISHER

AH, THAT WAS A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP!
HOT UP THERE!
WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING FOR?
BEATRICE, OUR ELEPHANT! SHE'S DISAPPEARED!
I LEFT HER TIED TO A TREE LAST NIGHT AND THIS MORNING SHE'S GONE!
FRANK BUCK'S PRIVATE ZOO

Remarkable Increase In Gambling Cases

MOTOR VEHICLES ACT OFFENCES ALSO RISE

Poona Records Largest Number Of Suits While Kanara's Share Is Lowest

According to the Annual Report on the Administration of Civil and Criminal Justice in the Province of Bombay during the year 1938, the number of original civil suits for disposal in the High Court was 4,030 as against 4,230 in 1937. Of these 2,515 were decided leaving 1,515 pending at the close of the year.

There were 2,392 insolvency petitions for disposal of which 862 were decided. Petitions for probate and letters of administration numbered 631.

Under the Appellate Jurisdiction there were 53 appeals from the Original Side, of which 44 were decided.

The High Court dealt with also 4,287 appeals from the Civil Courts subordinate to the High Court leaving 5,617 pending at the close of the year.

MOFUSSIL COURTS.

The number of suits instituted in the Civil Courts subordinate to the High Court was 1,35,060 showing a decrease of 6,311 as compared with the figures of the previous year. There was a decrease in money suits to the extent of 5.5 per cent. while in title and other suits it was to the extent of 1.1 per cent. the number of money suits being 109,616 as against 115,647 in 1937 and that of title and other suits 25,444 as against 25,724 in 1937.

The total value of suits in 1938 amounted to Rs. 4,13,96,577, the decrease being Rs. 27,44,988 as compared with the value of suits in the previous year.

The largest number of suits instituted during the year was in Poona (15,879). The lowest figure 2,295 came to the share of Kanara. The total number of suits for disposal during the year was 135,451, of which 135,451 were decided. Of the 41,165 decided after full trial, 36,760 or 89.3 per cent. resulted in favour of the Plaintiffs and 4,405 or 10.7 per cent. in favour of the Defendants.

The number of suits pending at the end of the year was 63,220 as against 66,121 in the previous year.

BOMBAY SMALL CAUSES COURT

The number of suits instituted and disposed of during the year in the Bombay Small Causes Court was 26,431 and 26,562 respectively. There was a slight increase in the institutions of suits exceeding in value Rs. 500 but not exceeding Rs. 1,000, while there was a decrease in all other kinds of suits.

The aggregate receipt of the High Court amounted to Rs. 25,97,374 while the charges totalled Rs. 15,08,101. The difference between these two aggregate showed an excess of receipts over expenditure to the tune of Rs. 10,89,273.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

During the year 2,97,500 criminal offences were reported, indicating a decrease of 18,612. Of the total number of cases under inquiry, 2,86,898 were found to be true. The number of cases brought to trial excluding those withdrawn and including those pending from the previous year was 3,02,303.

OF THESE 1,048 CASES RELATED TO HUMAN LIFE INCLUDING 276 MURDERS OF WHICH 144 ENDED IN CONVICTION. THE CORRESPONDING FIGURES FOR 1937 WERE 996,291 AND 142.

The number of cases brought to trial during the year in the Courts of the Stipendiary Presidency Magistrates was 20,435 and in those of the Honorary Presidency Magistrates was 1,34,889 making a total of 1,55,324. There was a reduction in the number by 13,190 as compared with the corresponding figure for the previous year. The number of cases under Special and Local Laws was 1,44,885 or 13,239 less than that of 1937.

BLACK SPOT.

THERE WAS A REMARKABLE INCREASE IN OFFENCES UNDER THE BOMBAY PREVENTION OF GAMBLING ACT WHICH ROSE FROM 2,601 TO 4,618.

The number of offences under the Indian Motor Vehicles Act increased from 2,397 to 3,535.

The total number of persons brought under trial before the Presidency Magistrates was 1,60,-152. Of these 22,560 were acquitted or discharged, 1,29,217 were convicted, 147 were committed to the High Court. Of the persons convicted, 3,363 were punished with imprisonment, 1,18,685 with fine, 16 with whipping, 161 were sent to the Leper Asylum at Matunga. The fines imposed aggregated Rs. 4,91,264 of which Rs. 3,30,152 was realised. Rs. 17,243 were paid as compensation to complainants.

2,04,199 persons were dealt with by the mofussil tribunals including Magistrates and Village Officers. Of the cases disposed of 1,09,878 or 62 per cent were convicted and 66,266 or 37.4 per cent were acquitted or discharged.

The amounts of fines imposed and realised during the year were Rs. 8,84,168 and Rs. 6,57,234 respectively.

The Courts of Sessions dealt with 2,041 persons or 68 more than in 1937. The cases of 1,817 were decided. Death sentences were passed on 31 persons, transportation or penal servitude on 87, imprisonment on 768, fine on 77, whipping on 5 and ordered to give security on 32.

The Appellate Courts subordinate to the High Court decided 2,767 cases as against 2,786 in the preceding year. The number of persons whose appeals were decided by Courts of Magistrates was 2,354.

Ninety-two cases were brought to trial at the High Court Sessions during the year including 2 cases pending at the close of the previous year. On the Appellate side the High Court dealt with 516 cases leaving 44 pending at the end of the year.

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Maharaja Congratulated

BOMBAY, Aug. 19.

The Secretary, Dawoodi Bohra Defence Committee writes:—

The Defence Committee of Bombay Dawoodi Bohra appointed to defend the accused concerned in the alleged murder of a Hindu boy at Jhalrapatan has congratulated His Highness the Maharana of Jalawar State for his foresight and statemanship in acquitting all the accused. This case had a protected investigation by Police and Magistrate for nearly a year in which a number of complaints of police harassment, cruelty and inhuman treatment were made by the accused at the request of the Defence Committee His Highness the Maharana had been pleased to appoint a special independent British judge. The Magistrate recorded evidence of 21 witnesses including two doctors. His Highness at this stage having been satisfied that there was no "prima facie" case exercised his prerogative and withdrew the case and acquitted all the accused. This act of justice on the part of the Maharana has very favourably impressed not only the Dewoodi Bohra Community but all his subjects of different communities.

KARACHI HANUMAN TEMPLE SATYAGRAHA

KARACHI, Aug. 22.

The Council of Action set up in connection with the restoration of the Hanuman temple has rejected the terms offered by the Government. Hence talks for "rapprochement" have fallen through again.

The Hindus are launching 'Satyagraha' shortly to get back the temple.—United Press.

MOVE FOR SELECT COMMITTEE FAILS

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He contended that these clauses material differed from the original provisions and removed certain tenants from the scope of protection.

The Minister had not replied when the House rose for lunch.

Discussion on Mr. Karandikar's amendment for referring back the Tenancy Bill to the Select Commitee was resumed after the recess hour.

Mr. B. K. Gaikwad opposed the amendment. He was afraid that if the amendment was acceded to much time would be wasted.

Mr. D. W. Raut said that numerous amendments had been tabled to the Bill. The object of referring the Bill back to the Select Committee could be achieved by the amendments themselves.

Mr. G. K. Phadke (Thana) asserted that the very fact that there were 350 amendments proved that the Bill required proper consideration. It would be better if it was referred back to the Select Committee so that the time of the House could be saved. He added that the famine conditions now prevailing should also be taken into account. It would not be possible for the tenants in the scarcity areas to take advantage of the Bill.

Mr. S. H. Jhabvala did not think any useful purpose could be done by referring the Bill back to the Select Committee

JAMNADAS' PLEA

Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta said that while he had no objection to refer to the Bill to the Select Committee again, he thought it would be better to discuss the question on the floor of the House. He referred to Clause XV of the Bill, which had raised a fundamental and constitutional issue and that was that Government to be invested with absolute right of fixing the rent and also the part to be played by the Government as a tax gathering agency. He added that the numerous amendments were itself sufficient indication that the Bill was not beyond controversy.

The amendment was rejected.

LANDLORDS' COMPLAINT

Sardar N. G. Vinchoorkar opposed the second reading of the Bill.

Sir Chinbhai Madholal said that if Government wished to afford relief to the tenants they should see that landholders were not harmed. To show the "bona fides" of the Government he urged them to buy off the lands and capitalise them. He deplored the extreme nature of the measure and added that the standpoint of the landlord and his interest were entirely lost sight of.

The original proposition that the Bill be read for the second time was passed

Consideration of the Bill clause by clause was taken up.

THIRD READING

The inclusion of Bombay city within the scope of the Bill was urged by Mr. G. K. Phadke who moved an amendment to the effect when clause two of the bill relating to "definitions" came up for a discussion.

Mr. Phadke said that the greater Bombay scheme which Government contemplated would include agricultural lands. The exclusion of Bombay City would mean many tenants in that area would lose the benefit of the measure.

"The Hon. Mr. Morarj R. Desai, Revenue Minister, opposing the amendment observed that the case of the city of Bombay was distinct. The small area of agricultural land might be requisitioned at any time for development purposes. Furthermore, there was ready market for the agricultural produce cultivated in the area.

The amendment was rejected.

Another amendment by Mr. P. W. Wagh for the exclusion of the land in the Ratnagiri district held under "Dharekari Tenure" was also rejected.

Mr. Wagh urged that the Government "should hold the scales even between the landlords and the tenants"

The Revenue Minister replied that Government would not allow the landlords to hold the scales.

The amendment was rejected.

LIVELY TIME

The House spent a lively quarter of an hour when Mr. S. H. Jhabvala's amendment to the "definition" clause was taken up. In the many definitions laid down in the Bill to the word 'improvement', Mr. Jhabvala sought to include the following:—

"And any other work in which the cultivator has spent his time and his energy during the period of his tenancy."

The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier, asked Mr. Jhabvala whether he meant "the digging of pits and filling them." by a tenant should also be included in the definition.

Mr. Jhabvala said that the Indian peasant was so very ignorant that he had to be protected.

The amendment was rejected.

The House adjourned for the day.—A. P.

CATTLE SLAUGHTER FOR RELIGIOUS PURPOSES!

Reply To Question In Bombay Assembly

POONA, Aug. 22.

"Sixty-two thousand, four hundred and fifty-five cattle are slaughtered for religious purposes annually in Bombay province", said Mr. A. B. Latthe, Finance Minister, replying to Mr. G. K. Phadke, during the question hour in the Bombay Assembly this morning.

Mr. Latthe added that no fee is charged by Government for slaughter of animals for religious purposes in the Province except on the occasions of Kondhanpur Fair in the Haveli Taluka of Poona District and the Warkhead Fair in the Nevasa Taluka of Ahmednagar District. The average annual income derived by Government from this source is Rs. 170 approximately.

Replying to Mr. B. B. Chakranarayan, Mr. B. G. Kher Prime Minister said, "Appointments to the Public Services are not made on the basis of communities. Government has already taken all such steps as are necessary and practicable for securing a fair representation of the Intermediate and Backward Classes in the Services. No definite percentages of recruitment in the Provincial Services have been prescribed for the Intermediate and Backward Classes as owing to the high qualifications required they would, it is thought, be unattainable in practice by these classes. In making the appointments, however, Government takes the claims of these classes into account. As regards the Subordinate Services, Government has prescribed minimum percentages of recruitment to the clerical cadres of the Intermediate and Backward Classes."

BACKWARD CLASSES

The Prime Minister added, "Orders have also been issued that not less than one in every ten vacancies should be given to the Backward Classes provided suitable candidates are available, until their strength is five percent of the total clerical cadre in each department. It has also been laid down that not less than one in every five vacancies among the 'talatis' should be given to the members of the Backward Classes, provided suitable candidates are available, until these classes occupy ten per cent of such posts in each District.

As regards the inferior services, Government has prescribed a minimum of ten per cent recruitment of members of the Scheduled Classes for all officers and departments in the Province with more than five peons. Heads of departments have been asked to employ suitable persons from the aboriginal tribes and other Backward Classes also."

COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

To another question on the same subject, the Prime Minister said except appointments to the services and posts which are excluded from the purview of the Public Service Commission by regulations made by the Governor in his discretion under Section 266 (3) of the Government of India Act 1935, all appointments made by the Government are made on the recommendation of the Commission.

All clerical appointments in all departments of the Secretariat including the Record Office and offices of the Director of Information and Oriental Translator to Government are also made on the recommendation of the Public Service Commission.

As regards other appointments made by subordinate authorities. They are made from lists of selected candidate which are prepared by the appointing authorities after advertising the vacancies. Government has no reason to think that any favouritism exists in Bombay service which requires the adoption of any other precautionary measures.—A. P.

Hon. Magistrates In E. Khandesh

"Government makes the apponitments after taking into account the opinions of local members of the legislature, Presidents of Local Bodies, presidents of important local political organizations and district officials", replied the Hon. Dr. M. D. D. Gilder in the absence of the Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, Home Minister, to a question by Mr. D. G. Jadhav on the appointment of honorary magistrates in East Khandesh District.

To a supplementary question the Minister stated the District Muslim League was also consulted before making the appointments.—A. P.

NATIONAL PLANNING

Issues Before Labour Sub-Committee

BOMBAY, Aug. 22.

The first meeting of the Labour Sub-Committee of the National Planning Committee will be held here on August 25 and 26 under the chairmanship of Mr. N. M. Joshi.

The "United Press" understands that the Sub-Committee will discuss among other things, conditions of labour in factories, mines, railways and other transports and plantations with special reference to women, children, labour all over the world and the condition of those in India. It is expected that the Sub-Committee will discuss these matters with a view to formulating the future labour policy in India.

The "United Press" further understands that a lengthy memorandum has been sent to the members in this connection.

It may be mentioned here that the Labour Sub-Committee which consists of thirteen members representing labour, capital and experts and specialists include five labour representatives, namely Mr. N. M. Joshi, Shreemati Anusuya Ben, Mr. V. R. Kalappa, Dr. Suresh Banerjee and Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda.—United Press.

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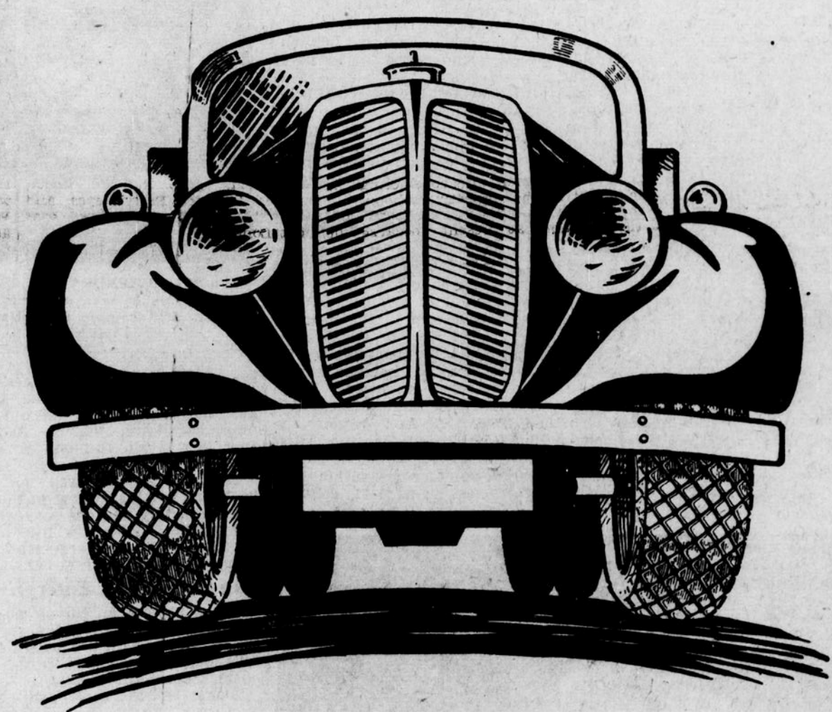

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Mainly About Motion Pictures

THE ELEPHANT SEEM TO LIKE IT—Bimla Kumari in a scene from Bhavnani Productions' "Son of Zambo" coming to Capitol.

STERNBERG AND SADHONA

A Foreign Director With A Great Past And An Indian Star With A Future

By D. F. Karaka

I WENT this week to the Metro to see "Sergeant Madden". It was not so much the picture that attracted me as the man who directed it. To so many people who go to the pictures, the director means very little. Some have not even got used to the idea of running through the cast, fewer still notice the director's name. Only a very limited minority take the trouble of following a director's progress. So it is that I never fail to see a Capra picture. The man who made "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town" is always worthy of a following and he justified it with his other pictures—"Lost Horizon" and "You cant take it with you". Now "Sergeant Madden" has a special appeal to me because it is made by Josef von Sternberg. Once he was the great Paramount director who brought to stardom the glamorous Marlene Dietrich. The world referred to them as Svengali and Trilby. But somehow Hollywood had other plans for them and Marlene came under Lubitch's direction and Sternberg went on a world tour.

HE ROAMED THE WORLD

Two or three years he roamed the world. He had wealth, he had had fame, and now he wanted to see something of the world and to grasp that human philosophy which was common to mankind. He believed that there was something common between the masses of this world even as there was between the philosophers and you could find it outside a Buddhist Temple in China as in a coloseum in the heart of New York. Behind it all was perhaps his disappointment with life, the idea that here he was a comparatively unknown man when his work and his creation had lived. He had made the "Blue Angel" and for the first time the creative power of a producer began to come within the

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NASEEM
matches her charms with the fabulous beauty of Nur Jehan in "Pukar."

"STUDIO SPY" DISCUSSES THE COMING FILMS

Will "Pukar" Live Up To Such Staggering Publicity?

Durga Khote Returns | DARING THEME OF "ADMI" | 'Son Of Zambo' For Capitol

PRABHAT started the idea of simultaneously releasing pictures at more than one theatre. Their "Unexpected" was seen at the Excelsior and Krishna.

This was an excellent innovation as by showing their film, even for a week at a Fort cinema, they helped to interest a new class of audiences who had hitherto kept away from Indian films.

The New Theatres followed suit by releasing their "Dushman" at the same two theatres. The Governor saw it at the Excelsior and the "Native" newspaper-men and critics went to the over-crowded Krishna. That is an old story.

Now Minerva Movitone are trying a daring experiment. They

SURENDRA
will shortly be seen in Sagar's "Comrades" coming to Pathe.

are simultaneously releasing their picture of the Mughal period "Pukar" at three theatres—New Empire, Central and Minerva. At the first two it will run only for a week.

This triple-theatre release, by itself, means staggering publicity for the picture and one may wonder whether "Pukar" will be able to live upto the expectations aroused by such collosal ballyhoo?

An Expensive Enterprise

We can't say anything about the picture, of course, unless we see it. But certain production details may be noted here to give us an idea about the picture.

"Pukar" is the most ambitious and most expensive production undertaken by Minerva Studios. It may even be said that it is one of the most expensive films produced in India. It required careful research, elaborate preparations for 'sets' and costumes, and an entire production unit had to travel up to Agra and Delhi for exterior shots: At the Minerva Studios in Sewri, some time ago, I saw some of the 'sets' and they were impressive. No wonder it cost more than two lakhs.

Chandramohan As Jehangir

The cast is led by Chandramohan in the all-important role of Emperor Jehangir. This talented artiste may be expected to have invested his role with the requisite dignity and humanity. Since he left Prabhat, his only notable film has been "Jwala", so that his fans and admirers—they are many—are naturally looking forward to his appearance in "Pukar".

Naseem (who would have been India's greatest actress if she was as talented as she is beautiful) plays Nur Jehan. It must be admitted that besides her not many actresses in India can aspire to look the part of Nur Jehan who was one of the most beautiful women of history.

Sohrab Mody, the Director-Producer, himself plays an important role and Sardar Akhtar ("Poornima") and Sheela ("Jailor") are two other notable members of the cast.

The story of "Pukar" dramatizes Emperor Jehangir's scrupulous regard for justice, which reminds me that two years ago some Northern India enthusiasts had produced a film called "Justice of Jehangir". Owing to faulty technique that picture was not generally shown. Let us hope "Pukar" will fare better.

"Adhuri Kahani"

Two days after "Pukar" we shall see at West End Ranjit's new film "Adhuri Kahani" (Unfinished Tale). An intriguing title. The theme of the picture also seems to be interesting, providing a new slant on the complexities of family life in modern India. Durga Khote celebrates her return to the screen in the role of a modern mother who wants her daughter (played by Rose) to be brought up in a free and unorthodox atmosphere but whose ambitions are frustrated by an unimaginative old-fashioned father (Keshavarao Datey). Prithviraj plays the son of the family, symbolizing the conflict between family loyalty and rational principles. Of all pictures expected this season, "Adhuri Kahani" has the best cast. The dialogues are by Cashyap. It ought to be a fine film if Director Chaturbhuj Doshi has made judicious use of the resources at his disposal.

"Life Is For Living"

Another provocative theme will be provided by Prabhat's forthcoming picture, "Admi". Directed and produced by Shantaram, this eagerly-awaited release is expected to be one of the major hits of the season. The alternative title "Life is for Living", provides a clue to the story which is said to revolve round two very extraordinary characters—a prostitute and a police-man! Realism, it is expected, will be the key-note of this film.

Shahu Modak (who once used to play boyish roles) plays the lead opposite Shanta Hubliker (the girl who played in "My Son").

More details about this daring production are eagerly awaited. The producers, it is learnt, will shortly enlighten the public when they publish a special supplement in a local Anglo-Indian paper!

A Jungle Film

Producer Bhavnani came out sometime ago with "Zambo" which, though not so spectacular technically, achieved a certain amount of popularity. Now he has completed the sequel. "Son Of Zambo" which is said to be far better and more entertaining than its successor. It is to be released at the Capitol on Saturday the 2nd September—incidentally, on the same day as "Tarzan Finds A Son" opens at Metro!

Popular, Petite Bimla Kumari

If for no other reason, many will go to see "Son Of Zambo" because it stars Bimla Kumari, one of the young ladies of the Indian screen with a big future.

Shy, *petite*, 21-year old Bimla Kumari smiled her way to stardom when she appeared 3 years ago in Director Kardar's "Milap". It was a small role but she played it with a certain charming naivette that left a pleasing impression on whoever saw the film. In General Films' "Baghban" she scored a great hit. Now she comes in "Son Of Zambo".

Recently there has been quite a scramble for her services. I know of at least two major studios who offered her contracts. It is learnt, however, that she will continue to be with the Bhavnani Productions and will be starred in their new production, "Asir Of Asirgarh" (the story of which ran as a serial in a local weekly).

DURGA KHOTE
plays the modern, progressive mother in "Adhuri Kahani".

BOMBAY FILM DIARY

CENTRAL: "Brandi Ki Botal". (Hindustani version) starring Vinayak and Meenakshi, Amusing, instructive, well-produced (last day. To be replaced by "Pukar" from to-morrow.)

DIAMOND: "Imandar," featuring Anilkumar and Noor Jehan. A "thriller" with a Muslim background.

IMPERIAL: "Sadhana," Sagar film: featuring Shobhana Samarth and Prem Adib, unpretentious but in some ways appealing story of village life and youthful romance. Popular. (Sixth week.)

KRISHNA: "Sapera," New Theatres' film; directed by Devki Bose; starring Nawab, Kanan-bala, Pahari Sanyal, Prithviraj, K. C. Dey, etc. Music by Boral. (Eighth week).

LAMINGTON: "Punjab Mail", Wadia thriller; featuring Nadia, Sarita Devi, John Cavas, Sardar Mansoor, etc. Slap-stick and stunts! (Seventh week).

MAJESTIC: "Netaji Palkar" (Marathi) patriotic drama round Shivaji's life; featuring Lalita Pawar and Vithal.

OPERA HOUSE: "Sant Tulsidas" Ranjit's outstanding production in Marathi; starring Pagnis, Leela Chitnis, Vasantee, Datey, etc. Ideal entertainment for devotional-minded Maharashtrians, (Ninth week.)

Leela Chitnis.

Devika Rani.

ROXY: "Durga," Bombay Talkies' latest: starring Devika Rani with Rama Shukul, notable for Devika Rani's acting and fine rural background. Must be seen. (Eighth Week.)

WEST END: "My Eyes," featuring Mazhar Khan, Khurshid and Sitara, Average entertainment, "popular" stunt element and dashes of real good drama. (Sixth and last week.)

SHOBHANA SAMARTH
seems to be pleased with her success in "Sadhana" at Imperial.

Surendra's New Film

From Sagar comes the news that "Comrades" is (or are?) 'practically ready' and is scheduled for early release at the Pathe—probably on the 2nd September.

The story (by Babubhai Mehta!) of the film is said to depict the lives of three friends and dramatizes their sacrifices for each other. A familiar theme but one which can always be given a new twist by a clever scenarist.

This is Director Nandlal's first picture for Sagar. The cast is led by Surendra, Maya Banerji, Jyoti and Harish.

Mrs. Lalita Pawar

I am asked by the Publicity Manager of Diamond Pictures to contradict the rumour to the effect that Mrs. Lalita Pawar (who is working in Chandra Arts' "Azadi") is suffering from paralysis. It appears that she had a slight accident on the 'set' but that she is quite well now.

TWO JUBILEES

"Bramhachari" Scores At Poona, "Bhabi" At Calcutta

AT POONA they celebrated last week the Golden Jubilee of "Brahmachari", the Huns production (and Royal Release) which has been running in that city for over fifty weeks. The celebration of the Golden Jubilee was held under the presidentship of the Hon. Mr. A. B. Latthe, Finance Minister of Bombay. The Speakers included Principal Atre and Director Vinayak, the author and star of the picture respectively.

In this connection, it is interesting to recall other such outstanding successes.

"Achhut Kanya", the Bombay Talkies' fine film starring Devika Rani, had its Golden Jubilee week at Calcutta.

Prabhat's "Tukaram" ran for nearly 55 weeks in one theatre alone in Bombay.

"BHABI" GOING STRONG AT CALCUTTA

Calcutta journals indicate that Bombay Talkies' "Bhabi" has become the rage of that city, outlasting a number of films with larger claims and local appeal. At the Paradise, leading Indian picture-house of Calcutta, they are now celebrating the "Bhabi" jubilee, it being the picture's twenty-fifth consecutive week. According to local press opinion, the city has by no means done with "Bhabi" yet.

This is not the first time, however, that Bengal has thus taken to a Bombay Talkies' picture. "Achhut Kanya" and "Jeevan Prabhat" stayed on even after their Golden Jubilees.

A jubilee week in Calcutta has a greater significance than in Bombay. The eastern metropolis is traditionally less indulgent with its entertainment fare, and comparatively very few films from Bombay score so well in Calcutta.

Is "Bhabi" too heading for a golden jubilee?

"Bhabi", a non-Devika Rani picture, had introduced two potential stars in Renuka Devi and Rama Shukul and had proved that Bombay Talkies could produce a hit even without depending upon the great attraction of Devika Rani. Rama Shukul has since been rewarded with a role opposite Devika Rani in "Durga", the popular film, currently seen at Roxy.

THE FILM DIRECTOR GETS A NERVE—A scene from Prabhat's "Admi," starring Shanta Hublikar, coming to Central.

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PROTEST AGAINST ARREST OF LABOUR LEADERS

Civil Liberties Association's Resolutions

BOMBAY, Tuesday

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bombay Civil Liberties Union was held yesterday evening in the Servants of India Society's Hall, when Mr. N. M. Joshi presided.

After some discussion resolutions protesting against the arrest and prosecution of Bombay Labour leaders and against the orders of the Government demanding securities from several newspapers and printing presses were passed.

It was also decided to call a public meeting for condemning the policy of the Bombay Government.

The following are the texts of the resolutions:—

Arrest Of Labour Leaders

This meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bombay Civil Liberties Union records its most emphatic protest against the action of the Government of Bombay in arresting Mrs. Ushabai Dange, Messrs. S. A. Dange, S. S. Mirajkar, Patkar, Bhigle and Bhise under Sections 117, 109, 341 506 of I.P.C. read with the Criminal Law Amendment Act which has been consistently and universally condemned by all sections of enlightened public opinion, including the Indian National Congress, as constituting a denial of the most elementary rights of citizenship.

Further the meeting is of the opinion that these arrests are an attack on the working class movement in Bombay which will result in helping the owners of the Phoenix Mills to force the workers to surrender, and to prevent the trade union movement in general from resisting the onslaught of employers.

The meeting further appeals to all lovers of freedom and civil liberty in Bombay and outside to raise their voice of protest against this scandalous policy of repression which the popularly elected Congress Government, returned to power on the plighted word of guaranteeing civil liberties, have inaugurated in Bombay Province.

This meeting therefore calls upon the Government of Bombay immediately to withdraw the present prosecutions and to put an end to their present policy.

Demanding Securities

This meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bombay Civil Liberties Union is amazed that the Congress Government of Bombay should be using even in normal times the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act of 1931, which was passed to be used only for meeting the situation of emergency created by the last mass civil disobedience movement and which was then severely condemned even as an emergency measure by the Indian National Congress. The meeting is of the opinion that in demanding securities from (1) the "Savadhan" a Marathi weekly journal, (2) the Laxminarayan Press of Ahmednagar, (3) "Lokhandi Morcha", a Marathi weekly of Bombay, (4) the "Munsif", an Urdu weekly and (5) the Tajmal Fine Art Litho Works, Bombay, the Congress Government have perpetrated an outrage on the freedom of the press.

This meeting hold that these orders demanding securities should be immediately withdrawn.

The meeting also accepted the resignation of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu from Chairmanship of the Union.

SCANDALOUS CONDITION OF ROADS, PLAYGROUND, MARKET AND SCHOOL IN KHAR

(From Our Correspondent)

BANDRA: August 20.

The condition of Khar roads has been a scandal ever since the model suburb was brought into being through the disinterested services of the Bombay Development Department.

Year after year the residents have been complaining about it all to no purpose.

Last year at the time of election both the Congress and non-Congress candidates promised individual voters that the improvement of the roads would be their first consideration. Nothing has been done so far to take up this question which was going to become their first consideration: no plans prepared, no budget provision made, no estimates obtained, no programme laid out.—at least not to the knowledge of the public.

It would be bad enough if the roads were left as they were, but the Board has made matters worse by a novel method of their own which I don't suppose is followed in any town in part of the world and that is to spread some slimy, muddy sort of stuff.--a cross between sand, mud from gutters and chunam.—on the roads just when the suburb experience rain and the mud is calculated to do the maximum inconvenience to the residents.

Why this method is followed nobody has been able to explain, not even the city fathers whom I have met. It is certainly not in the interest of the residents or the roads, perhaps it is in the interest of the contractors who make profit out of this muddy business.

Playground Scandal

Then there is the playground at the crossing of the 1st and 10th Road. It is the only public playground in Khar. Half of this is reserved for children and equipped with swings, see-saw, rings, etc. The equipment for children's section has been left in a neglected condition, goodness knows how long. Some of the swings remain half broken and the see-saw works according to its whim, for months together.

What is monstrous, however, is the fact that this playground for children which should be spread over with sand or some other equally safe material is covered over with debris, mud and stone—all calculated to make playing there as unsafe as possible.

The playground to-day is utterly insufficient for the growing population of the suburb. In fact what is necessary is that the whole of the present ground should be reserved for children and another big playground set up for grown ups for playing hockey, cricket and other games. And a few benches and a ed half of the present playground will not exactly lead the Board to financial bankruptcy.

Then there is the market. A large piece of ground is reserved for it, but the main shed is hardly adequate to accommodate the vegetable market, specially the wholesale market, and many of the vendors have to squeeze themselves in both to the inconvenience of the vendors and the customers.

There is plenty of room around to extend the main shed and the sooner it is done the better.

The fish market is a monstrosity. I do not know for whose convenience it is built. It is certainly not for the convenience of fisherwomen who have refused to use it ever since it was built and prefer to sit out in blazing sun and drenching rain rather than use the fish-market building. The narrow platforms that have been recently built are equally useless and afford no protection against sun and rain. They are not even roomy enough for squatting and accommodating the fish baskets. What is needed is that the municipal authorities should consult the fisherwomen themselves as to what exactly their requirements are and then go about the job.

MODEL SCHOOL

Lastly there is the municipal school building. It is of course totally insufficient to accommodate the present full strength of children. So provision has been made in rented buildings. One could understand this sort of thing in a crowded city like Bombay. But in a growing suburb where there is plenty of land available the municipality could certainly have been able to provide for growth and expansion of the school.

This model school is the model suburb, it may be noted does not possess even a playground worth the name and the children have to do all the playing on the adjoining streets. And this in a place where land is comparatively so cheap and so easily available.

There are other instances of "melancholy meanness" in our municipal affairs to which I shall refer later.

Indore, Aug. 22.—The established policy of the Holkar Government for the uplift of backward communities irrespective of caste and creed was reiterated by Col Dinanath, Prime Minister of Indore in the course of his speech replying to welcome address presented to him by the Muslims o

Widespread Rain All Over Gujerat

The onset of the Bay monsoon which has resulted in wide spread rainfall all over Gujarat and other famine affected areas is likely to prove a boon to the hard hit peasantry. The Arabian Sea monsoon unfortunately had exhausted itself considerably before it reached Bombay and therefore the city did not have the usual quota. The only hope therefore lay in Bay monsoon fulfilling the forecast of the weather experts who had held out hopes during the last week-end that the city as also Gujarat would have good showers beginning from Monday.

The depression which formed a few days ago in the Bay of Bengal has steadily moved westward bringing good rainfall in its wake. On Monday it lay over east Central Provinces and is now fast approaching Bombay. It is likely that the next 24 hours will witness heavier rainfall than the past.

'Not A Particle Of Grain At Home'

(From Our Correspondent)

DOHAD, August 20.

A meeting of the Kisans of Jhalod taluqua of Panchmahals was held yesterday at Limdi to consider the terrible famine situation prevailing in Dohad and Jhalod taluquas. About 1,000 kisans from about 25 villages attended.

Mr. Matabhai Damor of the Dohad Jhalod Kisan Sangha, Mr. Kamalashanker Pandya, a member of the Gujerat Provincial Congress Committee, Mr. Ramanlal Sheth, a member of the Executive committee of the Panchamahals District Congress Committee addressed the gathering and dwelt on the famine conditions of the taluquas which had taken the lives of the peasantry. The Bhil peasant men and women narrated how there was not a particle of grain in their huts and clamoured for relief and employment which the Government should give by starting Relief Works.

There is great consternation in the general people at the 'wait and watch' policy of the Government which is hoping against hope for the rains which would save it from responsibility.

Imperial Indian Citizenship Association

The Secretary, Imperial Indian Citizenship Association writes:—

The report published in your paper on the 16th August, regarding a meeting of the Council of this Association which it had with the Hon. Sir Jagdish Prasad, on the 14th August, 1939 is inaccurate so far as it refers to South Africa and Malaya. I shall, therefore, be grateful if you will kindly publish the following correction:

1. "Sir Jagdish Prasad did not say that he hoped to reach a settlement shortly with the Union Government of South Africa.. He merely said that negotiations were in progress."

2. "Restoration of cut in wages was effected in Ceylon and not in Malaya."

THE NEW H. G. WELLS

(Continued from page 8.)

tory. His more immediate purpose, unless all his acts belie him, is to save the oligarchy and its ways of life from its predestined end. He cannot understand that that way of life is over for ever. His family have been at such pains to achieve it, have been so eager, so clumsily eager to serve it." So much H. G. Wells says about his own country and his own people and his own Prime Minister. Those who have seen or known or met the man will know how deeply he must have felt to give expression to such hard feeling.

His chapter on Communism is very fine. He is not a lover of the Communist party or of the present regime with its leaders. He sees in the Stalin-Trotsky controversy a personal element which is regrettable in leaders of great countries and great new experiments. Neither does he adore the writings of Karl Marx but he does see in Russia the germ and the blossoming of a great experiment, which may one day achieve something and which he also believes may come to India to some purpose.

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Then he touches upon American mentality and what appeals to him so much is that conception of a Brain Trust, which Roosevelt tried not so successfully to create. He knows that the New Deal is only another word for socialism and he knows too that the world looks to-day to President Roosevelt more than to anyone else to lead them to world peace, if ever it is to be achieved.

Speaking of the backwardness of his own country in comparison to the American progressive idea, he says: "When New York made an Exhibition to stimulate imaginations about "The World of Tomorrow," the British Pavilion stressed the sentimental past, exhibited the Magna Charta, crown jewels, pedigrees and an old English village.... There was not the faintest anticipation of that great fusion of English-speaking thought and activity throughout the world, of which all modern-minded men are dreaming. World Federation? Instead there was the most definite reminder that the British Crown and Church stood gently but inexorably in the way of anything of the sort."

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He does not say much on India except a couple of paras in the chapter 'Subject Peoples.' His most significant sentence is: "You cannot build a nation on a vanishing grievance.' I think it sums up so well that real problem which is facing us to-day, viz., how will we co-ordinate our conflicting and contradicting forces once the British raj goes. Wells says: "The old raj is not going to last for ever and when it fades out the Hindu will still be wearing his caste marks and the Muslim slaughtering cattle at him in a derisive spirit."

When I read H. G. Wells, I always get a feeling of satisfaction almost of saturation. Grim though his forecast of the future may be, it is full and convincing. It reminds me of a Dutch painting of a harvest that is bountiful or of a girl who is blossoming out into maidenhood. There is something clean and untouched about his writing which reminds me of them. There is little doubt that his work will live long after him.

Yet to sum up I must quote Wells once more. He is speaking of the under-education of this world and how the majority of us are unaware of it. In Rangoon he meets some Burmans who express to him that same idea. They say: "We are taught to be clerks in European-owned factories. What we want is technical knowledge and the science of our own country and circumstances so as to give us a clear conception of our role in the world." And Wells says: "Now that was saying something." And that, I feel and know, is the real H. G. speaking.

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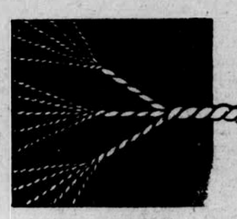

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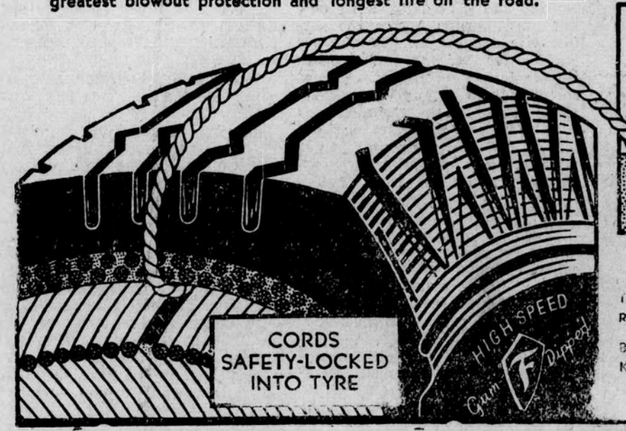

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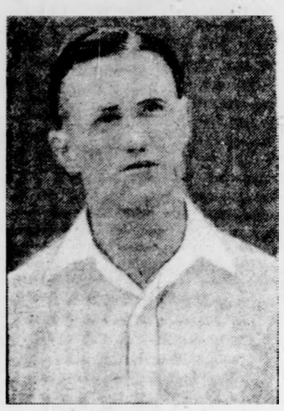
RECORDS SMASHED AT OVAL

Hammond 137 And Hutton 165 Not Out In Great Third Wicket Stand: 'Wally' Breaks 'Don's' Record

England's Great Recovery After First Innings Deficit–Batsmen's Test Ends In Draw–Home Team Win Rubber



L. Hutton

'Wally' Hammond

England (First Innings)	.....	352
West Indies (First Innings)	.....	498
England (Second Innings)	for 3 wkts.	366

THE Third and Final Test Match between England and West Indies which began at the Oval on Saturday ended in a draw, the honours being evenly shared.

Thanks to some vigorous batting by Leary Constantine who followed up his 5 for 75 in England's first innings with a spirited 79, the tourists carried their over-night total to 498 before rounding off their first venture.

HUTTON'S GREAT DISPLAY

Faced with a deficit of 146 runs the home team fought back magnificently mainly due to great batting displays from Hutton 165 (not out) and Hammond 137.

'Len' who along with Oldfield had pulled England out of a nasty corner on Saturday with his flawless 73 followed up his performance with a superb unbeaten innings of 165.

After Keeton's successive failure and Oldfield's early departure Hutton and Hammond not only recovered much lost ground but proceeded to stealthily pile up a handsome total in fitting reply to the West Indies' 498 runs.

RECORDS BROKEN

Hammond scoring his first century in Tests against West Indies broke Don Bradman's record of 21 centuries in Tests. The Hammond-Hutton partnership yielded 264 runs which creates a new record for the Third wicket in any Test—beating the 262 runs of the Hammond-Jardine partnership against Australia in 1929.

England had staged a great come-back when at the close of play the score-board showed the home side 366 runs to the good with seven wickets in hand. The match thus being declared drawn. As England had won the First Test at Lord's (by 8 wickets), and the Second Test at Old Trafford was drawn, the home country have won the rubber.

1216 RUNS IN 3 DAYS

IN A GAME OF TALL SCORING ON BOTH SIDES, AS MANY AS 1216 RUNS BEING PUT UP IN 3 DAYS' PLAY, TRUE TO OVAL TRADITIONS, HUTTON 73 AND 165 NOT OUT, HAMMOND 137, WEEKES 137, V. STOLLMEYER 96, HARDSTAFF 94, OLDFIELD 80, CONSTANTINE 79, HEADLEY 65 AND J. STOLLMEYER 59 CARRIED OFF THE BATTING HONOURS. THE BOWLERS, AS WAS TO BE EXPECTED ON A PURELY BATSMAN'S WICKET, HAD A HEART-BREAKING TASK, CONSTANTINE FOR THE TOURISTS AND PERKS FOR ENGLAND ALONE MAKING ANY IMPRESSION ON THE RESPECTIVE BATSMEN.

WOOD'S FINE WICKET-KEEPING

Of the new comers in the English side, Oldfield and Perks justified their inclusion, while Keeton and Nichols were sad failures.

Wood for England did magnificent work behind the stumps and his giving away only 7 extras in a total of 498 in the West Indies first innings speaks for itself.

LONDON, August 22.

The weather was threatening and the wicket damp when the third day's play in the third and final Test match between England and West Indies commenced before a crowd of 2,000 persons. West Indies added 103 runs in one hour this morning before they were all out. Sealey and Constantine the over-night not outs put on 39 runs before they were all out. Sealey and Constantine the over-night not outs put on 39 runs before the former was caught by Wright off Nichols for 24. (434—7). Martindale joined Constantine but scored only 3 before being bowled by Perks. Perks repeated his success with Clarke who was out for 2. (475—9). Johnson joined Constantine and the last wicket yielded another 20 runs before Constantine was given out to a catch by Wood off Perks for 79. Hitting vigorously Constantine batted for 80 minutes for his 79 which included one 6 and 11 fours. Johnson remained not out with 9, the Tourists' first venture realising 498 runs which included only 7 extras.

Hutton and Keeton opened England's second innings. At 30 Keeton was bowled by Constantine when the former had scored 20. Oldfield joined Hutton and the pair were batting with 7 and 23 to their credit respectively, with the total at 54 when lunch was taken.

New Third Wicket Record

When play was resumed after the lunch interval, the crowd had increased to 5,000. Soon after Oldfield was caught by Sealey off Johnson for 19. (77—2—19). Hammond joined Hutton. Hutton gathered his 50 in 115 minutes and Hammond took 75 minutes to collect 53 runs. At tea time, Hutton was batting with 97 and Hammond with 76 with the score at 222 for 2 wickets.

Soon after resumption of play after tea, Hutton reached his century after 220 minutes and Hammond collected 102 runs in 155 minutes. This is Hammond's first century in the Test matches against West Indies and with this he beats Bradman's total of 21 centuries in Test matches. The grand partnership, lasting exactly three hours and yielding 264 runs, was a record for the third wicket in any Test, beating the 262 runs of the Hammond-Jardine partnership against Australia in 1929. The partnership was broken when Hammond was bowled out by Clarke . (341—3—138). Hammond's score included 21 fours.

Compton joined Hutton and at close of play Hutton was batting with 165 and Compton with 19 with the total at 366 for 3 wickets. The third and last Test match ended in a draw. It was announced that England declared leaving West Indies no time to bat, thus ending the match a few minutes earlier. Hutton batted altogether for 320 minutes and hit 17 fours.

West Indies
(First Innings.)

R. S. Grant, c Goddard, b Perks	.....	6
J. B. Stollmeyer, c Perks, b Hutton	.....	59
G. Headley (run out)	.....	65
V. Stollmeyer, st. Wood, b Goddard	.....	96
Gomez, b Perks	.....	11
Weekes, c Hammond, b Nichols	.....	137
Sealey, c Wright, b Nichols	..	24
Constantine, c Wood, b Perks		79
Martindale, b Perks	.....	3
Clarke, b Perks	.....	2
Johnson (not out)	.....	9
Extras	.....	7
Total	.....	493

FALL OF WICKETS

1 for 15, 2 for 128, 3 for 134, 4 for 164, 5 for 327, 6 for 389, 7 for 434, 8 for ...., 9 for 475, 10 for 498.

Bowling Analysis
WEST INDIES
(First Innings.)

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Nichols	34	4	161	2
Perks	30.5	6	156	5
Wright	13	2	53	0
Goddard	12	1	56	1
Hutton	7	0	45	1
Compton	5	1	20	0

England
FIRST INNINGS 352
(Second Innings)

Keeton, b Constantine	.....	20
Hutton (not out)	.....	165
Oldfield, c Sealey, b Johnson		19
Hammond, b Clarke	.....	133
Compton (not out)	.....	10
Extras	.....	14
Total for 3 wickets	.....	365

FALL OF WICKETS

1 for 39, 2 for 77, 3 for 341.

Bowling Analysis

ENGLAND: (Second Innings).

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Martindale	10	2	46	0
Johnson	14	2	76	1
Constantine	20	3	97	1
Clarke	17	1	78	1
Grant	11	1	38	0
Headley	4	0	17	0

"COBB'S BAD LUCK"

369 M.P.H. But Engine Trouble Marks Failure Of Attempt On Eyston's Record

LAKE CITY, (UTAH), Aug. 22.

Cobb, the British motorist, covered a mile in one direction at an average speed of 369.23 m.p.h. but the engine stalled during the return journey and thus his attempt on Eyston's world record of 357 m.p.h. has failed. Cobb's run which was made northwards, beat the northward run of Eyston when the latter established the record, namely, 356.44.—Reuter.

ENGLAND v. W. INDIES 1928—39

1928.

1 Lord's England won by an innings and 58 runs.

2. Manchester. England won by an innings and 30 runs.

3. Oval, England won by an innings and 71 runs.

In the three matches A. P. Freeman took 22 wickets for 13.72 runs each.

1929-30.

4. Barbados. Draw.

5. Port of Spain. England won by 167 runs.

6. Georgetown, West Indies won by 289 runs.

7. Kingston, Draw.

Hendren scored 693 runs (average 115.50), and Headley 703 with an average of 87.87.

The match at Kingston extended into the ninth day, 1815 runs being scored. England's first inning's total was 849, Sandnam scoring 325.

1933.

8. Lord's. England won by an innings and 27 runs.

9. Manchester. Draw.

10. Oval. England won by an innings and 17 runs.

At the Oval in his first, and only, Test match C. S. Marriott took eleven wickets for 96 runs, while Ames dismissed eight opponents at the wicket.

1934-35

11. Barbados. England won by four wickets.

12. Port of Spain. West Indies won by 217 runs.

13. Georgetown. Draw.

14. Kingston. West Indies won by an innings and 161 runs.

The Barbados match was notable for eccentric declarations. At Kingston. West Indies scored 535 for seven wickets, declared, Headley making 270 not out. In the four matches E. A. Martindale took nineteen wickets for 12.57 runs each.

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15. Lord's. England won by 8 wickets (Match was notable for Headley's brilliant centuries in each innings.)

16. Old Trafford. Draw.

First-Class Cricket

CHAMPIONS SUFFER INNINGS DEFEAT

LONDON, August 22

Following are the results of First Class cricket matches which began on August 19:—

YORKSHIRE v. ESSEX:

Essex won by an innings and four runs.

Essex 348.

Yorks 131 and followed on 208 (Turner 66, Taylor 4 for 75).

WARWICKSHIRE v. SURREY:

Surrey won by an innings and one run.

Surrey 336.

Warwick 115 and followed on 220. (Wyatt 59, Watts 10 for 67).—Reuter.

Lawn Tennis

AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Miss Marble And Partner Win Mixed Doubles Final

BROOKLYN, Aug. 22.

In the Mixed Doubles Final Miss Marble and Hopman beat Mrs. Fabyan and Cooke 9-7, 6-1.

In the finals of the American National Doubles Championships Miss Alice Marble and Mrs. S. P. Fabyan beat Miss Kay Stammers and Mrs. Freda Hammersley 7-5, 8-6, gaining the title for the third successive year.

Adrian Quist and John Bromwich beat Jack Crawford and H. C. Hopman 8|6, 6|1, 6|4. For the first time it was an All-Australian Final since the inauguration of the championships in 1881.—Reuter.

ROVERS CUP: THIRD ROUND

First Drawn Game

Hyderabad And Kirkee To Fight Again

Extra Time Fails To Decide Issue Between Policemen And Gunners

HYDERABAD CITY POLICE (Anvar Hussain)	- - - - -	1
3RD FIELD REGT. R.A. (Parker)	- - - - -	1

It was left to the 3rd Field Regt. R. A. and the Hyderabad City Police to play the first drawn game in the present All-India Rovers Tournament when the Kirkee gunners, who had been conceded a walk-over in the second round by the Aryans (Calcutta), shared 2 goals with the conquerors of the B.E.S.T. in their match in the third round of the Tournament played on the Cooperage ground last evening. Extra time was played, five minutes each way, but failed to decide the issue.

In a game of missed chances and much useless dilly-dallying with the ball, particularly on the civilians' side, the rival defences managed to hold out but not after they had been severely tested.

Gunners Open Well

After an initial four minutes of scrappy midfield exchanges, Hyderabad were the first to get going. Shamshere Khan picking up a stray pivotal pass soon had his men on the move but Bradford rushing out robbed Hafiz Ali just as the latter was about to take aim, at the expense of a corner, which however proved futile.

The Gunners, however, retaliated strongly soon after and were distinctly unlucky not to take the lead in the 14th minute when Parker was pulled up for offside just as MacFarlane had rushed in to redirect a half-smothered low drive from Benson which had connected with Chapman's magnificent centre.

The Hyderabad charge continued to be raided and Erya was now very much in the picture effecting a number of brilliant saves from Chapman, MacFarlane, Parker and Bell. In the 18th minute, however, Mahboob Khan clearing, tapped the ball on to Shamshere and the Policemen's spearhead eluding defender after defender worked himself up in fine style but just when on the verge of the danger zone he trippled and Cheese rushing on effected an emergency clearance. The civilians attacked strongly for the next five minutes and Shamshere, Sheikh Hussain and Hafiz frequently caught the eye for their neat dribbling and crisp passing but all the fine efforts of these three were invariably reduced to nought by the unavoidable presence in the line of a hopelessly off colour right winger.

Early Lead

On resumption Hyderabad took an early lead when Anvar Hussain connecting perfectly with a well-timed pass from Shamshere beat Bonsor all ends up with a magnificent low drive into the extreme corner of the net in the 4th minute (1-0). The game now took an exciting turn with the soldiers going all out for the equalizer and the Policemen trying their level best to stave off the same. The latter, however, couldn't succeed for long for in the 12th-minute Parker connected perfectly with Chapman's nne centre with a nice header which gave Erya not the ghost of a chance (1-1). Both sides now went all out for the all-important winner and a number of exciting Sallies were witnessed hereafter, the territorial advantage resting slightly with the Gunners, but the rival defences refused to be beaten and in spite of extra time, five minutes each way, which was awarded for the first time in the present Championships, things could not come to a definite issue and both sides live to fight again.

RESULT

HYDERABAD CITY POLICE	1
3RD FIELD REGT. R.A.	1

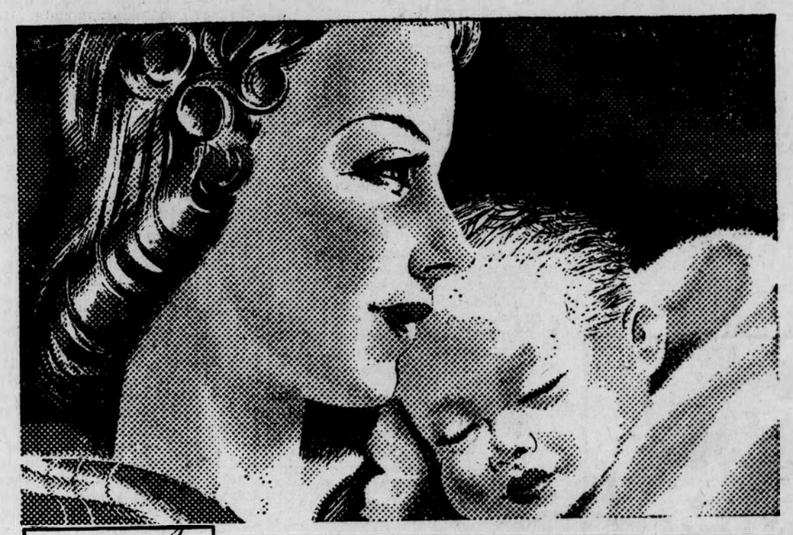
THE TEAMS WERE

HYDERABAD CITY POLICE—Erya, Shir Khan and N. Fruvall, Gvana, Mahboob Khan (Captain), and Sheikh Jamal, Susay, Anvar Hussain, Shamshere Khan, Sheikh Hussain and Hafiz Ali.

3RD FIELD REGT. R.A.—Bonsor, Bradford and Cheese, Compton, Hay (Captain) and Williams, Bell; Parker, MacFarlane, Benson and Chapman.

REFEREE—Mr. Haworth.

To-day's Programme:
Rovers Cup
(Cooperage)
4-30 p.m.
SECOND ROUND: RE-PLAY
SOUTH KANARA
v.
DELHI YOUNG MEN
THIRD ROUND
K. O. R. R.
v.
K. O. S. B



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Jawahar Deplores Rift In Congress

Confesses His 'Weakness' Being Ineffective Politician

EXHORTS CONGRESSMEN NOT TO BE VIOLENT IN SLIGHTEST AND TO FORM VOLUNTEER CORPS

Pandit Jawaharlal writes in the "National Herald:"—

"I owe an apology and an explanation for leaving India when so many urgent tasks demand attention. I do not usually play truant. For a long time I have felt strongly that closer contacts should be developed between India and China, and it was a joy for me when the Congress Medical Unit went to China. Still I felt that I might be of service in developing these contacts and I toyed with the idea of going there. There were many who urged me to do so. Yet I hesitated. There was the international situation which might lead to war at any moment; there was the internal situation which was progressively deteriorating. I gave up all thought of leaving the country. But the idea stuck at the back of my mind and I could not get rid of it. I argued with myself that these crises will continue; there is no end to them in our present-day world. I might as well take advantage of a seeming lull. The journey was a short one by air and my absence need not be for long. I was not foolish enough to imagine that I could solve our many riddles by remaining here.

RIFT IN CONGRESS.

I mentioned my vague thoughts to some friends and immediately entanglement grew. Letters and cables and invitations poured in upon me from China and I struggled in vain. I surrendered, possibly because I wanted to surrender and felt that I could be of more service to the cause of India by visiting China. After I had decided to go, other developments took place which made me regret my decision. But it was not easy to withdraw at that stage.

I am not sorry that I am going. I must confess that recent happenings in India have disturbed me greatly. I am not for the moment referring to our internal conflicts within the Congress, important and far-reaching as they are, but to something that has a deeper significance. I have felt that many of us have not fully appreciated them in their absorption with matters of lesser moment. To the small extent I could, I tried to prevent the rift in the Congress from widening because of the urgency of our facing other problems together. This endeavour of mine pleased nobody, or hardly anybody, and displeased many. Perhaps I was wrong.

"PUZZLED AND PERPLEXED."

It is perfectly true that I have felt puzzled and perplexed. This perplexity is not due to any doubt in my own mind as to what should be done but rather to the difficulty of inducing any considerable numbers of others to act in a particular way. When organised groups and parties within the Congress function aggressively against each other, I feel singularly out of place as I have not been used to such functioning. It invariably happens under these circumstances that each group tries to overreach the other and the immediate and all-important objective seems to be to triumph over the other group. The larger good is often forgotten. Politics, seldom pleasant, become singularly unpleasant then.

I fear I am an ineffective politician at any time and I have no taste whatever for the variety of politics that has lately developed. That is my weakness. When I cannot act effectively, I try at any rate to preserve a certain integrity of mind, and I wait for the time when I can act more effectively. It is a cheerless task. Yet none of us dare be onlookers when vital tasks demand attention. I have no intention of being an onlooker.

SERIOUS SITUATION IN U. P.

Before I go I should like to draw the particular attention of my comrades in the United Provinces to the situation which is growing here, as well as in other provinces. Because of our policy and deliberately not wishing to interfere, we have ourselves allowed this to grow. But it is time we called a halt to it.

This situation, at present in its very early stages, is full of undesirable possibilities. Various groups are deliberately trying to foment public disorder by violence and methods of terrorism. It is easy for a handful of persons to do so when large numbers of others passively permit them. And so the handful grows in temerity and repeats its performance, and another handful takes its cue from it. The great majority of people suffer from this and cannot carry on their ordinary vocations or activities.

PUBLIC INSECURITY.

It is perhaps a little unfair to single out organisations for criticism, for every organisation has good men and bad. But there is no unfairness in saying that communal organisations are chiefly responsible for this state of affairs. This is common knowledge and indeed they take pride in it.

It is obvious that if this kind of thing is allowed to continue it may lead to complete public insecurity and to armed or unarmed banks terrorising the neighbourhood. No civilised people can tolerate this. This is not a matter merely for the Congress or the Government. Every man or woman of goodwill and good sense must be interested in putting this public hooliganism down. No public or decent private life is possible if bands of roughs and hooligans dominate the scene.

It was time that it was made perfectly clear that this can be tolerated no longer. A Government may give a long rope but no Government can put up with hooliganism or else it is not worthy of that name. Riots are detestable and have to be prevented, but even occasional riots, bad as they are, to be preferred to continuing acts of public terrorism and hooliganism.

WORD TO CONGRESSMEN.

But for the present I am addressing Congresmen in this province. I have little doubt that the Congress organisation, if it functions properly, can remedy much that happens. Our methods must not and cannot be violent in the slightest. It is not through our violence that we are going to check the violence of others. We function peacefully but nonetheless effectively. We must tighten up our organisation and more particularly we must pay attention to our volunteers. Every Congress committee must have its trained volunteer corps. Our volunteers are not meant for show or to impress the ignorant with their bright new uniforms. Nor are they meant to interfere in any person's legitimate activity. They are the soldiers of the nation pledged to peaceful methods and service. They should have simple uniforms of course to distinguish them and give them a corporate sense. They must be disciplined and trained.

FORM VOLUNTEER CORPS.

I call upon every Congress committee—district, city, town, Mandal and Halqa—in the province to devote itself with all earnestness to the formation of volunteer corps. The provincial office will give all the help it can. But work must be started without waiting for further directions. On my return from China six weeks later I hope to visit some parts of the U. P. and inspect these volunteers.

We have had enough of weak pandering to evil tendencies. Enough of it, and more than enough. A halt must be called. Let us pull ourselves together and set about this business in a businesslike way."

Koli Community Patches Up Quarrel

(From Our Correspondent.)

THANA August 21

The rapprochement between the two factions of the Koli community of Thana, brought about yesterday mainly due to the untiring efforts of Hari Jagannath Nakhwa, is hailed with satisfaction by the members of the community staying in Koliwadas on either side of the Railway-line.

The dispute which had its standing for the last 8 years and which had resulted in a lot of litigation and breaking of heads is happily over now and the community which met yesterday selected 16 Panchas from both the parties to serve as arbiters in community matters.

The following persons have been elected as the Panchas:—

(1) Krishnaji Bapuji Nakhwa, (2) Hira Dharma Nakhwa, (3) Narayan Laxman Nakhwa, (4) Jagannath Laxman Nakhwa, (5) Hari Jagannath Nakhwa, (6) Yeshwanta Laxman Nakhwa, (7) Rajaram Chandraji Nakhwa, (8) Vithal Laxman Nakhwa, (9) Ramchandra Hiraji Nakhwa, (10) Ramji Mahadev Tandal, (11) Pandurang Fakira Nakhwa, (12) Tukaram Rama Nakhwa, (13) Manik Bandu Mistri, (14) Hira Hari Nakhwa, (15) Janardan Khandu Tandal, (16) Dagdu Govind Mistri.

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A meeting of the leading citizens from the Koli community was held yesterday to accord support to the Prohibition scheme that is in operation since the 1st of August. The community passed a resolution unanimously and decided to help the Thana Prohibition Board in checking illicit distillation of liquor, smuggling of liquor and in every way co-operating with the Board in making Prohibition a success.

The credit for bringing round this community, goes to the zeal and efforts of its young member, Hari Jagannath Nakhwa, a Congress worker and a Municipal Councillor of Thana.

COTTON CROP IN BOMBAY PRESIDENCY

The Department of Agriculture, Bombay, has issued the following preliminary memorandum on the Early Cotton Crop of the Bombay Province (Deccan Districts only), including Indian States, for the Season 1939-40:—

On an average of the five years ending 1937-38 the area under cotton in the territory to which this forecast relates has represented some 5.8 per cent of the total area under the crop in the whole of India.

The figures in this forecast relate to the early varieties of cotton sown in Deccan between June and July 1939.

ESTIMATES UPTO 1ST AUGUST 1939

Information incomplete. Area so far reported 1,228 thousand acres British Districts and about eight thousand acres Indian States. 13.4 and 10.4 per cent respectively below corresponding area last year and decennial average same date. Decrease in area general owing partly to late season partly to low prices. Due to late commencement of season, sowings of crop were delayed. Germination satisfactory and crop progressing well generally though urgent rain needed for further growth especially on lighter soils. According to new trade classification, Khandesh Oomras variety has 994 thousand acres, Khandesh Banilla has 106 thousand acres, Barsi and Nagar Oomras 124 thousand acres, Surti not sown and Kumpta and Upland 12 thousand acres.

RUBBER DEMAND FOR CONTINENTAL PORTS

I. R. R. Committee To Meet Early Next Month

London Aug. 16.

Messrs. Symington and Wilson have issued the following weekly rubber market report:—

It is fortnight since our last Report was issued and during the whole of that time there has been a persistant demand for nearby Rubber both on Landed Terms and for Afloat and early shipment to Continental ports. The more distant positions however have been relatively neglected. New York up to now has shown little sign of interest although there was more activity on the Rubber Exchange there on Monday of this week.

The lowest price at which business in Standard Sheet on the Spot was reported was 8 7/16d. on 3rd August and the highest 8 5/8d. on Wednesday of last week and Monday and Tuesday this week.

This morning the Market was rather on the quiet side with buyers of Spot at 8 9/16d. per lb. On New York opening lower this afternoon, prices eased and at the time of writing are only 1/16d. higher to unchanged on the fortnight.

REGULATION COMMITTEE

In the communique issued after their last meeting the Committee stated that it had been provisionally decided to hold a meeting early in September if the British Government had meantime asked for a release of Rubber in connection with the Barter Scheme between this country and America. Congress has now passed the legislation necessary for the ratification of the Agreement and according to a Reuter message published yesterday this meeting is likely to be held about 7th September.

AMERICAN QUESTIONNAIRE.

The figures for July came to hand by cable yesterday. We give them in full below together with our usual comparisons for June 1939 and July 1938:—

	July, 1939 tons	June, 1939 tons	July, 1938 tons.
Arrivals	36,739	35,947	22,918
Consumption	43,880	47,259	34,219
Consumption per working day	1,755	1,818	1,369
Stock (Dealers' & Manufacturers')	174,240	181,794	282,785
Afloat	52,990	51,274	40,460
Consumption Reclaimed	13,542	14,870	8,745
Ratio Reclaimed to Crude	30.9 p.c.	31.5 p.c.	25.6 p.c.

Consumption at 43,880 tons is about upto expectation. Total consumption in America for the first seven months of this year was 318,446 tons compared with 216,253 tons for the first seven months of 1938.

DUTCH EAST INDIES SHIPMENTS.

Particulars of shipments for July came to hand last week. Total shipments were 36,124 metric tons, equal to 35,590 long tons. Estate Rubber amounted to 15,918 metric tons (15,683 long tons) and Native Rubber to 20,206 metric tons (19,907 long tons). These shipments are 4,000 tons more than the permissible amount, the excess being entirely accounted for by Native shipments which are generally large in the first month of a quarter. This is particularly true of the third quarter in the year and for the last three years July has been the heaviest month of the year for Native shipments.

CEYLON SHIPMENTS.

Shipments from Ceylon (own Rubber) for the month of July amounted to 4,908 tons against a permissible exportable amount of 5,300 tons. The excess of 7,145 tons which was carried over from last year has now been reduced by 1,565 tons.

MALAYAN PORT STOCKS.

Figures of stocks in Malaya outside the regulated area came to hand on Monday. Stocks in the hands of dealers in Singapore and Penang at the end of July were 21,324 tons against 14,045 tons at the end of June, whilst stocks in the hands of the Harbour Board and awaiting shipment amounted to 5,738 tons against 5,540 tons at the end of the preceding month. Total stocks at the end of July were therefore 27,062 tons, an increase of 7,477 tons on the month. The actual increase once more differs considerably from estimates which put the increase at over 11,000 tons.

GOVT. FIXES MINIMUM JUTE PRICE

Better Investment Support On Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Aug 18.

Messrs. Bhagwanlal Nanavati and Co., have issued the following report:—

The outstanding feature of the period under review is the decision by the Government of Bengal upon a policy of compulsory regulation of Jute acreage during the next season and the fixation by promulgation of an ordinance of the minimum price of Rs. 36, per bale for Jute in the Calcutta futures market. The object of this step is to secure for the agriculturist the maximum benefit from his commodity. As a result of this move by the Government the price of raw Jute has remained Firm roundabout 38/10. This sort of Government control has evoked bitter criticism from the consumer's point of view. On the question of fixing minimum prices, the Government are on more dangerous ground as in the present condition of social organisation in Bengal, the opportunities for evasion would be manifold. Even assuming that it is a workable proposition, the danger to the whole industry is very great. The Mills will be hard hit by this raising price, as they will be compelled to sell their manufactures at a loss. Eventually this will result in a worsening of the Ryot's condition instead of betterment.

JUTE.

There was slightly an improved tone in this section especially in the speculative counter Howrah, which registered a rise of about Rupee one and annas eight only 48/- and 49/8 being the low and high levels. The close was in the region of 49/4. Investment shares were a shade better though the turnover was extremely limited. Anglo India were marked at 313, Kamarhatty 450, Kanknarrah 342, Gourepore came to business at 544. In Bird group Auckland were priced at 165, Lansdowne at 140, Standard at 245, Dalhousie at 292, Union at 318. In Yule group New Central were done at 276 Ex Div. Belvedere at 343, Orient 168. Bally and Barnagore were respectively priced at 183 and 139. India were mentioned at 265. In shares of small denomination Clive found sellers at 22, National at 20/6, Presidency at 3/3, Adamjee 10/12. Hukumchand ord. Jute on rumours current from day to day fluctuated within fair limits, 1/9 and 2 being the low and high levels, Preference fluctuated between Rs. 20 and 33, the close being in the region of Rs. 31. Reliance were done at 54/6.

COAL

There was a fair inquiry in this section and buyers paid higher prices from those touched last week. Bengal improved to 297 from 293, Equitable received support at 30/8, Dhemo Main improved to 12/4 from 11/6, Hurriladih were in request at 10/12, Mundulpore at 7/4, West Jamuria 28/4. New Beerbhoom advanced to 15/12, Bokaro-Ramgarh 13/8, Burrakur 11/6, Deoli 6/10, Central Kurkend 11/8, Raneegunj were done at 28/14, Amalgamated at 23/8, Union changed hands at 28/4, Pench Valley at 30/12.

MISCELLANEOUS

In the Engineering group Indian Iron and Steel kept fairly steady throughout the week round 24/14 but at the close on weak American advices, the market closed easy round 24/6, Steel Corporation of Bengal were subjected to heavy drop the closing price being 11/14. The highest during the week was 12/4 but gradually receded to 11/14. Indian Standard Wagon on declaration of Rs. 2/8 dividend, same as last year, were quoted at 46. Hukumchand Steel ordinary on rumours of change of management hardened upto 5/10 from 5/4. Braithwaite changed hands at Rs. 7 there being sellers at this rate. In mining group Burma Corporation were steady at 5/5 Cum Div., Indian Copper at 1/10, Consolidated Tin were maintained at 5/3, Tavoy Tin at -/15/-. B. I. C. ord. were good at 2/7, Dunlop Rubber ord. at 17/14, Indian Wood Products improved to Rs. 24. Midnapore Zemindary found sellers at 56. Dalmia Cement ordinary were a declining market the business being done upto 10/5, Deferred found sellers at 2/10. B. B. Petroleum done at 3/3. Calcutta safe deposit were done at 6/14. Bengal Telephone ord were firm at 17/14. In sugar section Balrampore were easy at 7/8, Buland at 12/8, Reserve Bank were easy at 109.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Aug. 22.

GOVT. SECURITIES	
3 1/2 per cent Paper	95/3
4 per cent 1960-70	110/8
5 per cent 1945-55	113/14
BANKS	
Bank of Baroda	98
Bank of Hindusthan	27/4
Bank of India	153/8
Central Bank	34/8
Imperial Bank F.P	1527/8
Imperial Bank P.P.	378/2
Indian Overseas Bank	47
Reserve Bank	110
Union Bank	5/13
TEXTILES.	
Ahmd. New Textiles	308/12
Ambica	188/12
Arun	180
Arvind	575
Asok	160
Bharatkhand Textiles	1500
Bombay Dyeing	705
Buckingham and Carnatics	177
Calico	523/2
Central India	195/4
Century	195
Colaba	105/10
Elgin	103/12
Gokak	125/18
Hukumchand	165/10
Indore Malwa	30/10
Jubilee	177/8
Khatau Makanji	61/4
Kohinoor	210/10
Laxmi Cotton	400
Madhusudan	200
Marsden	64/6
Morarji	110
Mysore	78/12
Nandlal Bhandari	77/4
New Great	170/10
Raipur	545
Rajnagar	126/4
Sajjan	97/8
Sassoon and Alliance	69
Sholapur	2600
Simplex	64/6
Swadeshi	190
Vishnu	1000
HYDRO ELECTRICS	
Andhra Valley Ord.	1452/8
Tata Hydro Ord	152/3
Tata Power Ord	1285
ELECTRICS	
Ahmedabad Electrics	143/12
Ajmer Electrics	10/15
Amalgamated	11/2
Bombay Suburban	165
Bombay Tram.	128/2
Lahore Electrics	225
Surat Electrics	161/4
MISCELLANEOUS	
Alcock Ashdown	367/8
Associated Cements	115/12
Belapur	163/2
Bombay Burma New	155/10
Bombay Burma Old	450/10
Bombay Steam	258/12
Bombay Telephone	88/4
Br. B Petrol	3/3
Burma Corporation	5/1
Dalmia Cement	9/14
Indian Bleachings	82/8
Industrial Investment Tr.	44/4
Indian Radio Ord.	353/12
Indian Radio Defd.	345
Indian Copper	1/10
Indian Iron	23/10
Mysore Sugar	31/2
Port Canning	76
Premier Construction	70/8
Rohtas Industries	20
Scindia Steam	16/9
Shivrajpur	30
Steel Corp. of Bengal	11/1
Tata Oil	34/8
Tata Steel Ordy	268/8
Tata Steel Defd	1261/4
JUTES.	
Birla Jute	15
Mowrah	47/11
Hukumchand	1/10
Kamarhatty	442
Kankanarrah	344
Lawrence	320
Reliance	54

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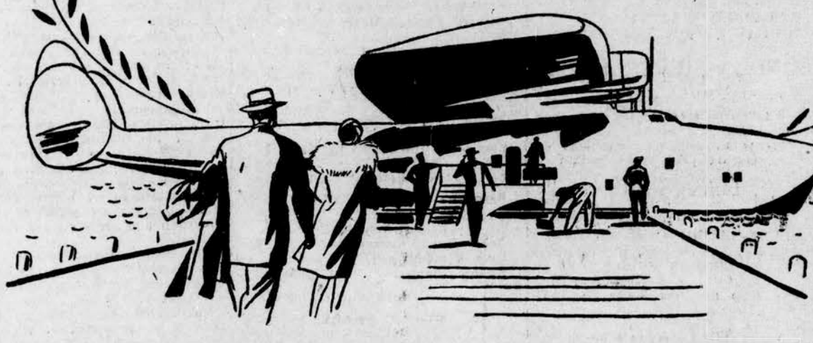

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NEW YORK COTTON EIGHT POINTS UP

Further Rise In Silver

PRESSURE IN GILT-EDGEDS CONTINUES

Continental Demand For Dollars

BOMBAY, August 22.

NEW YORK COTTON

Despite hesitant feeling in Liverpool market, the New York cotton showed improved feeling. However, operators were reluctant to increase their commitments. Prices advanced on trade support and outside buying.

BULLION

Gold price in London was slightly lower at £7-8-6 6/2.

Silver received further strength owing to bear covering and a few offerings. The forward rate was higher by 15/16d.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Prices on Stock Exchange during the early period showed some easiness but later markets became steadier. 3 1/2 per cent Sterling Loan declined further and closed at £82.

COTTON EXCHANGES

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

OCTOBER 1939

New York, Aug 22

Previous closing	8.69
To-day's opening	8.72
Difference	+03
To-day's closing	8.77
Difference	+08

LIVERPOOL COTTON

OCTOBER 1939.

Liverpool, Aug 22

Previous closing	4.42
To-day's opening	4.41
Difference	+02
To-day's closing	4.45
Difference	+03

BROACH EXPECTATION

July August 1939 ..... Rs. 156-0
April May 1940 ..... Rs. 151-8

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Aug 22

The New York cotton displayed better feeling despite the hesitancy of Liverpool. The tendency was higher, however, operators were chary of extending commitments.

The trading in October began at 8.72 i.e. three points higher than the last closing. Prices advanced on better Liverpool cables and trade support with some outside buying with October rising to 8.75. At this level trading quietened down.

BOMBAY COTTON

Late Trading

Bombay, Aug 22

In the local market, Broach July/August opened at Rs. 157-8 but thereafter the price advanced with better New York advices. The closing rate was Rs. 158-8.

April/May opened at Rs. 153-2 and closed higher at Rs. 154-2

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Aug 22

Following were the opening ranges on New York Cotton Exchange:—

October (8.67/8.67) 8.72/8.72
December (8.55/8.52) 8.59/8.57
January (8.43/8.40) 8.44/8.44

Liverpool Cotton

Liverpool, Aug 22

American October (4.47) 4.49
American December (4.40) 4.42
Giza October (6.38) 6.50
Giza December (6.41) 6.50

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, Aug 22

TEAS

Indian Pekoe (1-0 1/4) 1-0 3/4
Indian Pekoe higher (1-5 1/2) 1-1
Ceylon Pekoe (1-0 1/4) 1-0 1/4
Ceylon Pekoe higher (1-4) 1-4

JUTE

First Marks C. I. F. Continent New Crop August September (£20 3/4 sellers) £20 7/8 sellers
Dundee August (£23 3/4) £23 3/4
Lightning August (£22 1/4) £22 1/4

RUBBER

Spot (8 3/4 paid and value) 8 3/4 paid and value
Forward October December (8 11/16 paid and value) 8 5/8 paid and value

SEEDS

Castorseed Bombay July August (£11 1/8 sellers) £11 1/4 sellers
Linseed Calcutta July (£12 5/8 sellers) £12 3/4 quoted
Linseed La Plata July (£11 5/16 sellers) £11 9/16 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal August (£12 1/16 sellers) £12 1/16 sellers

METALS

Tin (£229 7/8 buyers, £230 sellers) £229 7/8 buyers £230 sellers. Quiet.
Lead (£16 3/16 buyers £16 1/4 sellers. Firm) £16 buyers £16 1/16 sellers. Barely steady.
Copper (£50 3/4 to £51) £50 1/4 to £50 3/4
Iron (£102) £102

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Closing Quotations

Liverpool, Aug 22

The Liverpool wheat market closed at 45 1/4d. for October position to-day while yesterday's closing was 44 1/8d.

CROSS RATES

T. T NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Aug 22

Previous closing	4.68 1/8
To-day's opening	4.68 1/8
At the time of New York cotton closing	4.68

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Aug 22

Previous closing	4.68.13
To-day's opening	4.68.13
To-day's closing	4.68.13

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

London, Aug 22

Previous closing	176.70
To-day's opening	176.70
To-day's closing	176.71

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Aug 22

London exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.68.13 and continued quiet and dull.

Franc opened at 176.70 and remained inactive and lifeless.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 15/16 sellers) 1-5 15/16 sellers
Paris on Bombay (13.200) 13.200
New York on Bombay (35.00) 34.99
Berlin on Milan (0.87 1/8) 0.87 1/8
London on Milan (89.02) 89.02
London on Shanghai (0-3 15/32) 0-3 15/32
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2

DISCOUNTS

3 months (3/4 to 13/16 per cent) 3/4 to 13/16 per cent
4 months (7/8 to 7/8 per cent) 7/8 to 15/16 per cent
6 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 3/8 per cent

BULLION

Influx (nil) nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Gold (£7-8-7) £7-8-6 1/2
Silver (17 9/16d) 18 7/16d

LONDON SILVER CABLE

Bombay, Aug 22

The following cable regarding London silver market was received in Bombay Advance on some offerings. Bear covering. Market quiet but uncertain.

LONDON SILVER

London, Aug 22

Spot	(17 9/16d) 18 7/16d+7/8
Forward	(17 3/8d) 18 5/16d+15/16

LONDON GOLD

London, Aug 22

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-8-7) £7-8-6 1/2

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Night Quotations

SILVER

Bombay, Aug 22

Silver ready	48 10 0
Silver Shravan (Second)	48 7 0
Silver Bhadrapad	48 4 0

GOLD

Gold ready	37 2 6
Gold Shravan (Second)	37 2 6
Gold Bhadrapad	37 3 0
Sovereign	23 10 0

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Night Quotations

Bombay, Aug 22

Wheat September	2 15 9
Wheat January	3 3 9
Wheat May	3 3 6
Linseed September	5 3 9
Linseed	4 15 6

Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, Aug 22

Liverpool wheat opened firm with October at 46 1/2d. The apprehension over European political situation caused nervous short covering but subsequently profit-taking cancelled some gains.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, Aug 22

Chicago wheat opened steady with September at 0.67 7/8 Prices eased slightly on lack of outside enquiry with traders holding off awaiting developments. The price reacted to 0.67 3/4.

3½% GOVT. LOAN

Latest Quotation

Bombay, Aug 22

3 1/2 per cent Government paper closed at Rs. 95/10 after reaching as low as Rs. 95/1.

3½% INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, Aug 22

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £82

Closing quotations of the same Loan on the previous days were:—

Monday August 14, £83 1/2
Tuesday August 15, £83 3/4
Wednesday August 16, £84
Thursday August 17, £83 3/4
Friday August 18, £83 1/2
Monday, August 21, £82 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Aug 22

London Stock Exchange after the early easiness became steadier.

Giltedged securities were subjected to further pressure. Three and half per cent was quoted at £81 i.e. 1 3/4 pounds lower than the last close.

INDIAN LOANS

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£94 1/4) £92 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£82 3/4) £81
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£107 1/4) £105 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Indian 1958-68 (£109 1/4) £106 1/2
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948-58 (£102 3/4) £101 1/2
5 per cent 1942-47 (£105 1/4) £104
4 per cent (£96 1/4) £95

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent 1945-55 (£99 1/2) £97 1/2

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£64) £62 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£91) £89
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£102 3/8) £101 1/2
5 per cent Funding Loan (£104 3/8) £103
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£89 7/8) £88
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£105) £102 Ex Div.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (16-0) 16-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (58-9) 55-10 1/2
Hydro Electric (dol 3 3/8) dol 3 1/4
Elec Music Industry (9-6) 9-3
Princhin Johnson (21-10 1/2) 21-6
Imperial Chemical (29-0) 28-3
Woolsworth New Ordinary (63-6) 62-3
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£18) £17
Dunlop Rubber (26-3) 26-0
Unilever Ordinary (32-1 1/2) 31-0
Ford Motors (16-3) 15-6
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£49) £47 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary (86-3) 83-1 1/2
Carreras 'A' (£6 1/2) £6 1/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (126-3) 123-9
P and O S N Common Deferred (17-6) 17-0
Distillers (93-9) 92-3
Bredford Dye (3-4 1/2) 3-1 1/2
British Celanese (5-7 1/2) 5-3
J and P Coates Ordinary (29-4 1/2) 28-0
Courtaulds Ordinary (28-6) 27-6
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-10 1/2) 2-4 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary (17-3) 16-4 1/2
Inter Nickels (dol 50 1/4) dol 49 1/8
Indian Iron (35-7 1/2) 35

TEA SHARES

Assam (16-6) 15-7 1/2
Donaro Tea (30-0) 30-0
Empire of India (23-1 1/2) 23-1 1/2

JUTES

Barnagore (£10 1/4) £10 1/4

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (24-1 1/2) 22-9
Gula Kelampong (17-3) 16-3
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (28-3) 26-10 1/2

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (26-10 1/2) 26-3
Burma Corporation (7-9 Ex Div) 7-6
Rio Tintos (£10 1/2) £10
East Rand Proprietors (47-6) 46-3
Rand Mines (£8 1/4) £8 1/8

MINE SHARES

Crown (£15) £14 7/8
Associated Portland Cement (69-4 1/2) 67-6
Trinidad Leaseholds (80-0) 79-4 1/2
Sub Nigel (£10 7/8) £10 5/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (26-3) 26-3
Union Corporation (£7 1/2) £7 3/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (20-0) 19-4 1/2
Anglo Iranian (69-4 1/2) 67-6
Burma Oil (66-3) 65-0
Mexican Eagle (6-6) 6-0
Shell Transport (80-0) 78-9
Royal Dutch (£32 5/8) £31 3/4

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£27) £26 1/4
London Midland Ordinary (£11 7/8) £12
London North Eastern Def (£3) £3
London Southern Def (£12) £12
London Transport 5 per cent (£113) £110 1/2
London Transport 'C' (£69) £68

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Aug 22

The following are the opening rates:
General Motors (dol 43 7/8) dol 43
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 24) dol 23 1/4
U S Common New Stock (dol 44 3/4) dol 43 7/8
U S Steel Preference (dol 107 3/4) unquoted

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

PRICES RALLY TOWARDS THE CLOSE

Pressure On Sterling

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, Aug 22

On the Stock Exchange, after an early sharp marking down, owing to the surprise of the German Soviet pact, prices later rallied under the lead of Internationals. The latest political developments resulted in fair activity on foreign exchanges where the main tendency was to offer continental currencies for dollars, thus exercising indirect pressure on sterling which was counteracted by the Exchange Equalisation Account.

Wall Street opened easy and was then firmer.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Speculative Quieter

CALCUTTA, Aug 22

Jutes: Easier conditions prevailed and almost all principal stocks were marked down than yesterday's levels and the volume of business was also on a very limited scale. Coals showed not much alterations. In teas only a small trading took place. Miscellaneous: Speculative issues continued quieter while others kept more or less unaltered. Government securities continued quiet.

The following were the closing quotations:—

Government securities: 3 per cent new loan 1963/65 96/12; 3 per cent loan 1951/54 99/6 small lot; 3 1/2 per cent paper 95/3; 4 per cent loan 1960/70 110 small lot; 5 per cent loan 1945/55 113/12 small lot.

Banks: Imperial fully paid 1538; Reserve 109

Cotton: Kesoram 4/2

Coals: Bengal 295; Burrakur 10/10; Mundulpoor 9/14; Nazira 7; New Beerbhoom 14/4 small odd lot; Searsole 3 small odd lot.

Jutes: Anglo India 3.2, Barnagore 134 Champdany 142/8 small lot; Gourepore 532; Hoognly pref 17; Howrah 47/10; Hukumchand 1/11; Pref 28/8; National 13/12 small lot; Nuddea 38/12 small odd lot; Standard 240/8.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corpn 5/3; Consolidated Tin 5 ct; Indian Copper 1/9; Rhodesia Copper 1/2; Dalmia Cement pref 91/8 small odd lot; Bareilly Elec 11/8 small lot cit; Jubbulpore Elec 13 U P Electric 157 small odd lot; Hukumchand Steel ord 5/7, Indian Galvanizing 20/14; Indian Iron and Steel 23/11 Marshalls 1/5; Steel Corpn ord 11/2; Pref 94/8; Bararee Coke 16; B I Corpn ord 2/4; Dunlop Rubber 2nd Pref 105 small lot; Indian Wood Products 24/4; Indo Burma Petroleum ord 106 small lot ct; Titaghur Paper prefd ordy 3/13; A ord 11/14 Humayan Property defd annas 13; Midnapore Zemindary 53 small lot.

Teas: Chandypore 56 small lot; Sungma 6; Tyroon 10.

Debentures: 4 per cent 1939/43 Calcutta Port Trust 104/10; 5 per cent 1926/56/86 Calcutta Port Trust 116 small lot; 5 per cent 1916/45 India General Navigation 105.—A. P.

Small Area Under Groundnut Crop In C. P. And Berar

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Jubbulpore, Aug 22

According to the first forecasts of the sugarcane, the til (sesamum) and the groundnut crops in the Central Provinces and Berar for the season 1939-40, the planting of sugarcane and sowing of kharif til and the groundnut started at the normal time in all the districts. Speaking generally about the weather conditions, the monsoon which set in about the middle of June, was weak to start, but strengthened at the end of the month. A break set in about the third week of July, which was very opportune, but has been too much prolonged; and consequently the rainfall received so far is insufficient. The standing crops are generally in good condition and prospects are hopeful at present.

The total estimated area under sugarcane in the Province is reported to be 29,665 acres, which represents about 0.8 per cent of the total area under the crop in India; while the 'til' has been seen is an estimated area of 450,091 acres as against 511,608 acres in the preceding year. The area under til in the Province represents about 9.1 per cent of the total area under the crop in India. The total estimated area under groundnut in C. P. and Berar is 241,668 acres which is lesser by 14 per cent than the actual area of the last year. The decrease in area in Berar is chiefly due to insufficiency of rainfall at sowing time. The area under groundnut in C. P. and Berar represents about 2.4 per cent of the total area under the crop in India.

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

Karachi, Aug 22

To-day's closing quotations:—

Cotton Sind January	15	2	0
Punjab January	12	13	6
Desi American January	17	7	3
Tone: Quiet.			
Wheat September	22	0	3
November	22	13	6
Tone: Steady			
Gram September	29	11	0
November	29	10	6
Toria September	36	10	3
November	37	1	0
Cottonseed September	25	12	0
January	19	10	3

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay Aug. 21.

Broach J/A highest 156 5/8; lowest 155 7/8; closing 156 5/8
Broach A/M highest 152 1/8; lowest 151 3/8; closing 152 1/8
Oomra D/J highest 142 1/4; lowest 141; closing 142 1/8
Bengal D/J highest 117 3/4; lowest 117 closing 117 3/4

In the spot market at Sewri there was moderate demand.

STERNBERG & SADHONA

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appreciation of the picture goer. Marlene had also come to the forefront from comparative obscurity. And somehow I cannot help feeling that he valued his attachment to his picture and to his leading lady.

STRIKING INDIVIDUAL

One day I walked into his room in the Splendide in Piccadilly. It was on the excuse of an interview by a paper which eventually turned it down. But it made for me a contact which has left a great impression on me. For Sternberg is a man not easily to be forgotten. He is a Jew—an Austrian Jew. He came from poor parents and began his career in the pictures by pushing a camera for the director. He is an exotic personality. Colourful, Bohemian, artistic with long grey hair and always wearing clothes which catch the eye of the passer-by. One always turns round to look at him. He has that effect on people. He wants to have that effect. But it is not just superficial for in his whole attitude to life he reacts like that. He is an individual. A striking individual. He talks in the style of Ling Po and Confucius and I believe he thinks like that too. "Sergeant Madden" is not by any means his best picture, but it has the Sternberg touch here and there. And for me it means that he is back at work after some years of disillusionment. It means that perhaps he will find another face which will become a star and above all that his spell of bad luck is broken and over.

SADHONA

And so we come to the Indian film world where I meet for the first time. Sadhona Bose. Sir Richard Temple, Devika Rani, Durga Khote and Sadhona do great credit to this industry which is in its infancy. Sadhona Bose is that congenial type of Bengali girl which can be classed in the alpha plus. In the same class would perhaps be Moni Gupta, who is the daughter of P. R. Das, Tinu and Shibu, and the Mahindra who is connected with the Victoria Memorial. In Calcutta their names are received everywhere with great approbation. They are fully deserving of it. Sadhona is unlike anything I expect from what is still somewhat dubiously spoken of as an Indian film star. She is quiet, unassuming and modest. Like the vanishing cream she often advertises—or is it Ovaltine—she does not intrude. She is hard working, painstaking and is the sort of person who will do something for the Indian stage and screen. Someday when Indian films move out of the rut in which they are in, these names will be affectionately remembered.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

Madras, Aug 22

Giltedged securities were easy on reports of tension in Europe. Bank shares also ruled easier.

Miscellaneous shares sugars were easier. Planting shares remained dull.

	Rs.	a.	p.
3 per cent 1963-65 Govt. loan	97	8	0
3 per cent 1951-54 Govt loan ..	110	13	0
3 per cent 1956-61 Mysore	102	5	0
3 1/2 per cent 1956-61 Cochin loan	102	2	0
3 1/2 per cent 1956 Travancore loan	102	12	0
5 per cent 1943-53 Cochin	107	2	0
Reserve Bank	110	4	0
Imperial Bank partly paid ...	378	0	0
Radhakrishna Cotton Mills ...	103	12	0
Cochin Malabar Estates ordy	4	6	0
Mysore Sugar Co	30	8	0
Associated Cement Merger shares	117	0	0
Mysore paper	8	8	0
Steel Corpn ordy	11	14	0
Tata Steel defd	1302	8	0
Tata Steel Second Pref	166	0	0

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS

Two Crores Accepted

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 22nd August 1939. Total amount offered was Rs. 3,44,00,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-12-0 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-11-9 allotted approximately 41 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 2,00,00,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 1-0-6 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Two crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Monday, the 28th August 1939. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 1st September 1939. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 18th August, 1939, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 1,54,00,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, Aug 22

L Edwards ss Abbekerk of 4764 reg tons, Captain F Swart arrived from Bremen via Europe Ports, Port Said, Suez, Port Sudan and Karachi with passengers and general cargo.

O S Kaisha ss Mansei Maru of 4823 reg tons, Captain T Takesita arrived from Karachi with cotton and scrap iron cargo.

Scindia Steam Nvg ss Jalayamuna of 3080 reg tons, Captain P L Matches arrived from Calcutta with cargo of coal.

B I S N ss Hatimura of 4158 reg tons, Captain J T Gregory arrived from Moulmein via Rangoon, Madras, Cochin and Calicut with rice timber and general cargo.

SAILED

Scindia Steam Nvg ss El Hind of 3225 reg tons, Captain L J Evans sailed for Rangoon in water ballast.

Scindia Steam Nvg ss Jalavihar of 3381 reg tons, Captain G V Jackson sailed for Calcutta via Madras with local cargo.

K Devchand ss Baron Dechmont of 2221 reg tons, Captain L Anderson sailed for Port Said for (orders) with local cargo.

P and O S N ss Lahore of 3161 reg tons, Captain G S Stable sailed for Karachi with local and same bottom cargo.

J Finlay ss Halizones of 3137 reg tons, Captain A MacIntyre sailed for Cochin via Marmagoa with same bottom cargo.

Volkart Bros ss Sonnavind of 2994 reg tons, Captain R Brekke sailed for Calcutta via Colombo, Madras and Rangoon with local and same bottom cargo.

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 22-8-39.

S S Pres Adams (F F C) for American Ports via Suez and Port Said.

S S City of Norwich (K N) for Liverpool and Manchester via Port Said.

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

ALEXANDRA DOCK

Bombay, Aug 22

1 Borneo Maru 4264 Japan 23-8 O S K Kaisya
2 Uhenfels 4570 Bremen 24-8 L Edwards
3 Jalavihar 3381 Calcutta 22-8 Scindia S N
4 City of Cardiff 3601 Navlakhi 27-8 K Nixon
5 Halizones 3137 M'Goa 22-8 J Finlay
6 Queda 4760 Karachi N F M M
7 Baron Dechmont 2221 Port Said 22-8 K Devchand
10 Kenya 4646 Durban 30-8 M M
14 Aspasia Nomikos 2894 Port Said 23-8 L Dreyfus
15 Mount Othrys 2958 Port Said 1-9 Ralli Bros.
16 City of Corinth 3424 Calcutta 23-8 F F Campbell

VICTORIA DOCK

2 Sonnavind 2994 Colombo 22-8 Volkart Bros.
3 Bandra 1893 Busra 24-8 M M
5 Victoria Marie 882 Karachi 22-8 Merchant S N
10/11 Rajput 3398 Bhavnagar 23-8 T Morrison
12/13 Sirsa 3387 Karachi 23-8 M M

PRINCE'S DOCK

A Hashemi 298 Malabar Coast 23-8 S Hassum
B Pasha 3196 Rangoon 26-8 T Morrison
C/R Cranfield 3213 Calcutta 23-8 M M
D/E Gandara 3190 N F 23-8 M M
H Shrivati 250 NF NF Malabar Steamship
H Revati 232 N F N F Malabar Steamship
L Kalarand 859 Bhavnagar 22-8 B S N
M Kalmarsund IX 611 N F N F Merchant S N

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON

Maloja 7-9-39 P and O S N
Rawalpindi 14-9-39 P and O S N
Strathedene 21-9-39 P and O S N
Cathay 24-8-39 P and O S N
Hanpura 31-8-39 P and O S N

FROM LIVERPOOL

City of Venice 20-8-39 K Nixon
Britannia 25-8-39 Anchor Line

FROM OSLO

Japan 6-9-39 L Edwards

FROM HAMBURG

Abbekerk 21-8-39 L Edwards
Leibenfels 27-8-39 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK

Pres. Van Buren 7-9-39 F F Campbell
City of Rayville 9-9-39 L Edwards
City of Corinth 19-8-39 F F Campbell
Pres Adams 24-8-39 F F Campbell

FROM TRIESTE

Conte Verde 11-9-39 L Triestino

FROM GENOA

Conte Biancamano 28-8-39 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Ryuhuku Maru 23 8-39 O S Kaisha
Cathay 15-9-39 P and O S N
Victoria 23-8-39 L Triestino
Toyama Maru 24-8-39 N Y Kaisha
Canton 1-9-39 P and O S N
Tango Maru 25-8-39 N Y Kaisha
Viterlock 24-8-39 N Y Kaisha
London Maru 8-9-39 O S K Kaisya

FROM BASRA

Bankura 24-8-39 M M
Vasna 26-8-39 M M

FROM MOULMEIN

Hatimura 19-8-39 M M

FROM SYDNEY

Strathallan 26-8-39 P and O S N

FROM CALCUTTA

Gogra 21-8-39 M M
Jalapalaka 23 8-39 Scindia S N
Orna 26-8-39 M M
Jalajyoti 26-8-39 Scindia S N

FROM DURBAN

Vita 26-8-39 M M
Takliwa 2-9-39 M M

FROM JAVA

Winkfield 23-8-39 M M

FROM BASSEIN

Jalaveera 26-8-39 Scindia S N

FROM RANGOON

Cranfield 17-8-39 M M

FROM KARACHI

Warfield 22-8-39 M M
Toyama Maru 4-9-39 N Y Kaisha
Ehrenfels 24-8-39 L Edwards

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON

Narkunda 9-9-39 P and O S N
Carthage 16-9-39 P and O S N
Strathaird 23-9-39 P and O S N
Warfield 30-8-39 M M
Strathallan 26-8-39 P and O S N
Canton 2-9-39 P and O S N

FOR LIVERPOOL

Britannia 8-9-39 Anchor Line
City of Benares 1-9-39 K Nixon

FOR HAMBURG

Uhenfels 24-8-39 L Edwards

FOR NEW YORK

Pres Van Buren 9-9-39 F F Campbell
City of Corinth 23-8-39 F F Campbell
Pres Adams 26-8-39 F F Campbell

FOR GENOA

Victoria 23-8-39 L Triestino

FOR PORT SAID

Aspania Nomikos 23-8-39 L Dreyfus
Mount Athrys 1-9-39 Ralli Bros

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Viterlock 5-9-39 N Y Kaisha
Conte Verde 11-9-39 L Triestino
Toyama Maru 7-9-39 N Y Kaisha
Ranpura 31-8-39 P and O S N
Tango Maru 13-9-39 N Y Kaisha
Lahore 1-9-39 P and O S N
Borneo Maru 23-8-39 O S K Kaisya
Conte Biancamano 28-8-39 L Triestino
Rawalpindi 14-9-39 P and O S N
Mansei Maru 26-8-39 O S K Kaisya
Ryuhuku Maru 8-9-39 O S K Kaisya

FOR SYDNEY

Cathay 24-8-39 P and O S N

FOR BASRA

Bandra 24-8-39 M M
Barkura 30-8-39 M M

FOR DURBAN

Takliwa 13-9-39 M M
Kenya 30-8-39 M M

FOR CALCUTTA

Orna 3-9-39 M M

FOR RANGOON

Pasha 26-8-39 T Morrison

FOR JEDDAH

Alavi 22-8-39 T Morrison

FOR KARACHI

City of Venice 27-8-39 K Nixon
Viterlock 23-8-39 N Y Kaisha
City of Cardiff 26-8-39 J Finlay

B.P.T. GENERAL LANDING DATES.

S S Hulizones 19-8-39
S S British Premier 19-8-39
S S Pasha 21-8-39
S S Irrawadi 21-8-39
S S Kalarand 21-8-39
S S Victoria Marie 21-8-39
S S Sonnavind 22-8-39

EXPORTS

S S City of Norwich for Liverpool: 6500 bags gr nut seed The Cotton Agents, 4360 bags groundnuts Ralli Bros; 671 bags linseed oil cakes Ralli Bros; 4200 bags gr nut oil cake exp L Dreyfus; 858 pcs asbestos cement corr sheets Asbestos Cement

For Manchester: 5925 bags linseed The Cotton Agents; 14160 bags linseed B Maheshwari; 11800 bags linseed L Dreyfus; 75 bales raw cotton Kotak; 300 bales raw cotton The Patel Cotton.

S S Borneo Maru for Kobe: 400 bales raw cotton A Clayton; 400 bales raw cotton S R Tulshan.

For Yokkaichi: 300 bales raw cotton A Clayton.

For Osaka: 50 bales raw cotton M Amersey; 200 bales raw cotton S R Tulshan.

S S City of Cardiff for Dunkirk: 100 bales cotton waste P D Vora; 110 bales cotton fly Supt T Products (India).

S S Aspasia Nomikos for Port Said for orders: 1630 bags gr nut oil cake exp L Dreyfus.

S S Uhenfels for Hamburg: 55 bales cotton waste C Jairam; 110 bales raw cotton P Williams; 14 bags gum D Mavji.

For Antwerp: 110 bales cotton fly V P Maskai.

For Gothenburg: 28 bales ctn twist waste Champaklal.

S S Victoria for Famagusta: 32 bales ctn grey sheeting R Shantilal.

IMPORTS

S S Mansei Maru Agents O S K Kaisya, Bombay from Colombo: 1542 bags copra.

From Tokyo: 265 cases grey m ctn yarn; 62 cases lion dentifrice and advtg matter; 100 cases school slates.

From Nagoya: 150 cts porcelain tiles; 780 cts glazed broken tiles; 74 cases porcelainware.

From Osaka: 145 cases window glass; 147 cases sheet glass; 85 cases art silk yarn; 95 cases copper wire; 181 cases ctn pcegoods; 108 bags glass bottles; 154 bales staple fibre yarn; 50 cases glassware; 322 cases cotton yarn; 55 cases glass bangles; 215 cases rayon yarn, 199 brls red lead; 57 cases printed ctn jeans; 133 brls malleable iron pipe fittings.

From Kobe: 292 cases ctn pcegoods; 209 cases rayon yarn; 79 cases ctn and art silk mixed pce goods; 138 cases rayon pce goods; 69 cases ctn and rayon mixed pce goods; 212 cases art silk yarn; 60 cases playing cards; 40 cases ctn and w/n mixed hosiery caps.

From Hongkong: 60 pkgs hurricane lanterns; 220 pkgs cassia.

From Singapore: 88 bags betelnuts; 2566 bags sago flour; 42 bundles gum.

From Penang: 57 bags pearl tapioca.

COPPER STATISTICS

The July statistics of the Copper Institute made a very favourable showing and were as follows:—

	July tons.
World's Stock of Refined Copper	493,419
World's consumption of Refined copper	181,487
World's Output of refined copper	158,236
World's Output of Blister	164,964 Long tons.
World's stock of refined copper	513,670
World's consumption of refined copper	180,433
World's Output of refined copper	173,205
World's Output Blister	161,803

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, Aug. 21.

SAKELS.—	
November	12.92—7.
January	12.91—3.
March	12.9?—8.
ASHMOUNI—	
August	9.48—0.
October	9.70+1.
December	9.75+2.
February	9.8?+4.
April	9.88+2.
GIZA—	
November	11.59—6.
January	11.79+0.
March	11.86—1.

European Political Tension Influences American Markets

HEAVY COVERING IN LIVERPOOL COTTON

Increased Hedge Selling In New York

BOMBAY, August 22.

EUROPEAN political tension once again influenced all American markets on Monday.

The political situation may become serious in the near future, but there is no fear of a war.

New York cotton market was quiet on increased hedge selling influenced by favourable weather while Liverpool was firm on heavy covering by ring traders.

The New York cotton market opened barely steady despite early firmness of Liverpool market. There was increased hedging owing to easiness of stocks and continued European nervousness. Trade buying on the scale down offered moderate resistance. Prices rallied partially on price fixing and local buying. Bombay and Liverpool straddle reversing and liquidation depressed the market which, however, subsequently recovered partially after the subsidence of foreign pressure.

At the opening New York October was quoted 5 points down at 8.67 and declined to 8.65 which was the lowest level. Later prices advanced to 8.71 which was the highest level reached at noon. The market finally closed at a net decline of 1 to 5 points. Spot cotton prices declined 3 points at 9.19c. per lb

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet and closed at a decline of 2 to 4 points. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 8.88c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool market opened at a rise of 3 points with October 4.44. Light hedging and Bombay selling met covering and New York straddle covering of October on increasing anxiety over European situation. Prices declined on Bombay selling, hedging and straddle selling against New York. Later prices recovered on trade calling and American buying. The undertone was nervous owing to International tension. The market closed at a rise of one point to a decline of one point. Middling American spot cotton prices advanced 9 points at 5.25d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton market was quiet with a small business. Giza futures closed one point down while Uppers declined 2 to 6 points. The Alexandria cotton market was quiet. Sakels futures declined 3 to 8 points and Ashmouni cotton futures closed 1 to 4 points up.

COMPLEX POSITION

Messrs. G. W. Joynson and Co., state:—

As regards cotton the position is complex. The free carry-over of American growths is negligible. The amount of cotton in the Government Loan is the only carry-over, and amounts to about 11,000,000 bales. Compared to the ten year average this is not so burdensome on examination should the present crop only reach 11,000,000 bales. The carry-over next year might well be reduced considerably by the red-hot U. S. A. export programme, the very low stocks of American cotton in countries outside of the United States and increased domestic consumption in U. S. A. resulting in a consumption of possibly 12 or 13 million bales. On the other hand should this crop turn out to be 12 million or over, it is difficult to see how present prices can be maintained, as spinners will put off fixing prices in the knowledge that later on there will be plenty of cotton for everybody. Incidentally as far as Liverpool is concerned 4-1/2d. cotton will not worry Brazil or other competitive growths.

KING COTTON'S CASE

"Here's His Majesty King Cotton's interesting case history as presented by a leading diagnostician: In 1928, the world took 7,529,000 bales of American cotton. It is now taking less than 4,000,000 bales. In 1923, the world output of rayon was enquivalent to 238,000 bales. It is now equivalent to 4,500,000. In 1928, foreign production was 11,331,000 bales. It is now 17,339,000 bales. That's what has happened in the past ten years. What is liable to happen in the next ten years unless there is a change for the better? The surplus of cotton, to-day, is the largest in history. In the long life of King Cotton, before or since the invention of Eli Whitney's cotton gin, it's doubtful that the world price of cotton has ever been lower. And, whereas world consumption of cotton is steadily increasing, consumption of American cotton is decreasing both at home and abroad."

JAPAN AND GERMANY

Japan and Germany, whose territorial expansion activities have been criticized sharply by the American Government, are among the leading potential beneficiaries of the Administration's proposal to pay a bounty on cotton sold abroad. For years, both nations have been among the largest users of American cotton. Germany particularly before she embarked upon a "self-sufficiency" programme which emphasized the promotion of cotton substitutes. The extent to which Japan may benefit is shown by foreign trade reports that she took 16 per cent of American cotton exports during the 1923-33 period and 26 per cent. during the first nine months of the current marketing season. Japan's purchases this season, totalling 806,000 bales, are slightly larger than those of the United Kingdom and France combined, totalling 739,000 bales."—"Cotton Trade Journal."

PRIVATE CABLES

N. Y. Old October Highest (12-20 p.m.)	8.71—01
N. Y. Old October Lowest (10-24 a.m.)	8.65—07
Liverpool October Highest	4.48+07
Liverpool October Lowest	4.37—04

Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cables:—

New York Cotton Exchange Service cabled:

Export sales smaller. Damaging rains Alabama partially offset benefit recent rains West, Domestic mill activity maintained on old orders. Loan repossessions 382,000. Hedging light due small mill stocks.

One of their New York friends cabled:

Foreign selling early apparently undoing straddles due unsettled European situation, market otherwise featureless, trade buying offsetting light hedging.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co., Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends.

Liverpool.—Market improved early on short covering. Later declined on hedge selling and better weather.

Liverpool.—Advance owing to straddle operators buying and covering of 'bear' sales owing to unsettled political outlook. There is less hedge selling.

New York.—Market influenced by better crop and weather news.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following cables from their foreign friends:—

Liverpool: "Political situation caused heavy covering by ring who have been short some time. Think advance overdone unless another crisis develops."

New York: "Hedge selling failed reflect increase in crop movement."

Messrs. Bishwambharlal Maheshwari have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York:—

Cotton hedge selling failed reflect increase in crop movement.

Weather more favourable market depressed by Liverpool and hedge selling rallied on buying by trade and local operators see-saw market awaiting development in Europe.

NEW YORK COTTON

New Contracts

NEW YORK, August 21.

October	8.65—03
December	8.69—02
January	8.56—03
March	8.52—07
May	8.38—05
July	8.22—04

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Aug. 21.

October	8.69—03
December	8.56—01
January	8.42—02
March	8.34—04
May	8.18—05
July	8.02—05
Middling spot	9.19—03

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Aug. 21.

October	8.81—02
December	8.65—03
January	8.53—04
Middling spot	8.88

NEW YORK

New York, Aug. 21.

11 a.m. Ranges.—

October	8.67/8.67
December	8.52/8.52
March	8.31/8.31

Noon Call.—

October	8.67
December	8.52
March	8.31

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Aug. 21.

	Bales.
Day's receipts at all U.S. Ports	23,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	9,300
Day's exports to the Continent	10,000
Day's exports to China and Japan	3,000

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Aug. 21.

August	4.65+01
September	4.52
October	4.42+01
November	4.35—01
December	4.36—01
January	4.35
February	4.36
March	4.37
April	4.37
May	4.37
June	4.35
July	4.35
October	4.36
January	4.39
March	4.40
May	4.41
Middling spot	5.25+09

11-12 a.m. quotations.—

October	4.42
January	4.35

Egyptian Cotton

Liverpool, Aug. 21.

GIZA 2.—

Spot	6.53—1.
October	6.35+1.
November	6.40+1.
January	6.43—1.
March	6.45—1.
May	6.48—1.
July	6.52—1.

UPPERS.—

Spot	5.70—3.
October	5.49—2.
November	5.49—2.
January	5.49—3.
March	5.51—4.
May	5.52—6.
July	5.52—6.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Aug. 22.

Following a decline of 3 points in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 151/8. But the market opened steady at Rs. 151/12 for Broach A/M. delivery and declined to Rs. 151/10 on scattered selling.

Later on there was active professional buying and about 25,000 bales were bought with the result that prices advanced to Rs. 152/12. Later on the market was steady at Rs. 152/8 with a moderate turnover.

Broach cotton at Rs. 150 is attractive and investment support is likely to offer strong resistance. This year the area under cotton cultivation is 13 per cent smaller and while we have reports of rain in drought area, it goes without saying that there is no hope of a bumper crop and with strong statistical situation prices will harden eventually. It will be advisable to have long interest in all declines.

The Liverpool market was due to open one point down but it opened 2 points up and later was quoted 6 points higher under heavy covering. In the local market there was better feeling and Broach A/M. delivery advanced to Rs. 152/14. The market finally closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

F. G. M. G.—			
Broach J/Aug.	Rs.	157	8 0
Broach A/May		152	12 0
Fine M. G.—			
Oomra D/Jan.		143	12 0
F. G. M. G.—			
Bengal D/Jan.		118	10 0

WEATHER OVER U.S.A. COTTON BELT

Liverpool, Aug 22

Slightly warmer over entire Belt; light rains in Texas Gulf Coast. Forecast: Entire Belt partly cloudy.

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, Aug 22

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G—					
Bengal U P	129	126	123		120
Punjab	129	125	123		120
Rajputana	132	129	126		123
Oomra No. 3	158	156	153	150	
C P No. 1	163	167	164	161	
C P No. 2	162	160	157	154	
Broach No. 2		163	161	158	156
Punjab Ame		183	181	178	176
Surat		200	196	195	193
Rajpipla		197	195	192	190
Navsari		209	207	204	202

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, Aug. 22.

Bengal Fine	126/28
Bengal F.G.	123/25
C. P. 1	154/56
C. P. 2	152/53
Berar	151/52
Khandesh	135/40
Jalna/Sailu	139/41
Khandwa	150/51
Broach	156/58
Punjab 4F.	171/76
Punjab 289F.	201/06
Sindh N.T.	176/81
Surat	193/94
Navsari	204/06
Western Farm	166/74

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, Aug 22

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales

	2 days	This year	Last year
Khandesh		38,887	53,958
Central India	44	225,421	50,479
Barsi and Nagar		95,657	150,436
Hyderabad Gaorani		4,474	40,383
Berar		162,905	332,710
Central Provinces		39,405	85,892
Total Oomras	44	566,749	713,855
Dholera		277,936	158,132
N W Provinces		10,731	3,112
Rajputana		81,441	16,781
Sind Punjab	328	337,859	627,465
Broach		415,095	267,698
Coompta and Dharwar		154,778	84,183
Westerns Northerns	227	17,598	29,613
Cocoanada		98	23
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		2,677	8,767
American		3,487	177,893
Egyptian African and Sudan		389,247	542,169
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		267	1,206
Total	609	2,338,953	2,530,697
Arrived by road to 17th Aug 1939		392,855	

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept to 17th Aug

In full-pressed bales

	Yesterday	This year	Last year
Europe	101	217,819	337,912
Japan and China	5,900	1,545,367	746,910
Coast Ports		35,264	63,356
Up-country by Rail		289,102	385,342
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan		31,217	8,810
Total	6,004	2,012,799	1,542,310

American Cotton Figures

F P Bales	1939-40	1938-39
Receipts to date 21-8-39	239000	193000
Receipts yesterday 21-8-39	23000	18000
Exports to date 21-8-39	149000	160000
Stock at Ports 18-8-39	2037000	2403000
Stock at Interior Towns 18-8-39	2415000	1925000
Stock at Liverpool 18-8-39	575000	1163000
Visible Supply 18-8-39	4825000	5546000
Quantity in sight 18-8-39	380000	288000
Quantity out of sight 18-8-39	345000	361000

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES.

Broach April/May New York May Rs. 43 Broach April/May Liverpool May Rs. 38 1/2.

New York Liverpool: Oct. 5, Dec. 4, Jan. 10, Mar. 20, May 36, July 50.

SHARP RISE IN SILVER

Local Operators Realise Profits

Bombay, Aug. 22

Yesterday there was a sharp rise in world silver markets mostly due to heavy covering influenced by European political developments. But it seems that local operators do not see any change of a war and were found raising to-day.

Yesterday London silver prices advanced 7/16d. at 17 9/16d. for spot and forward quotation was also raised 7/16d. at 17 3/8d. India and speculators bought Supplies were short. Later India bought at 1/16 over fixed prices and the market closed firm with sellers reserved.

New York spot silver prices were raised 1 1/8c at 36 1/2 cents per ounce. It appears that the rise will not be maintained if the political situation improves. The trade agreement between Russia and Germany points to no immediate danger for an international crisis.

London Bombay spot silver parity is Rs. 47/6 and forward parity is Rs. 46-15-3. Shanghai T. T. on London is quoted 3 1/4d.

London gold prices yesterday closed unchanged at £7-8-7. London Paris Exchange rate was unchanged at 176.70. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.68.13 at London and 4.68 1/8 at Nsw York.

In the local market silver prices were pushed up to Rs. 48, on extensive short covering and buying by option dealers. But to-day there was increased realising and prices declined to Rs. 47/6. Gold was also fairly firm with scarcity of sellers. Quotations were as under:—

GOLD

Ready	37	2	3
Shrawan delivery	37	2	9
Shrawan Tejimandi	0	1	6
Bhadrapad delivery	37	3	0
Bhadrapad Tejimandi	0	3	6

SILVER.

Ready	47	11	0
Shrawan delivery	47	6	0
Shrawan Tejimandi	0	15	0
Bhadrapad delivery	47	2	0
Bhadrapad Tejimandi	1	13	0

LONDON SILVER

London, Aug. 21.

Spot	£17 9/16
Forward	17 3/8

LONDON GOLD

London Aug. 21.

Gold bars fine per oz	£7/8/7

LONDON METALS

London, Aug. 21.

Copper	£44 15 0
Lead	£15 8 9
Spelter	£14 12 6
Tin	£224 17 6

Bombay Metals

Bombay, Aug. 22.

London Market—	
Standard copper cash	£44-10-0
Standard copper 3 months	£44-17-6
Electrolytic copper	£45-0-0
Bombay Market.—	
Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 39-8-0
Copper sheets	Rs. 49-12-0

Tone:—Steady.

WHEAT FIRM ON POLITICAL TENSION

BOMBAY, August 22.

All wheat markets were firmer reflecting the political tension in Europe. Chicago advanced on Eastern buying and short covering in sympathy with Winnipeg. The cash position continues to tighten owing to the possibility that the combination of Government loan and export subsidy plan might create an artificial scarcity.

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, Aug 21

September	£12	1	3
November	£11	10	0

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Aug 22

Castorseeds Sept—	
Opening	29 6 0
Highest	29 12 0
Lowest	29 6 0
Closing	29 12 0
Castorseeds May—	
Opening	29 6 0
Highest	29 12 0
Lowest	29 6 0
Closing	29 12 0
Groundnuts Aug—	
Opening	31 15 0
Highest	32 0 0
Lowest	31 13 0
Closing	32 0 0
Groundnuts Feb—	
Opening	30 8 0
Highest	30 15 0
Lowest	30 6 6
Closing	30 15 9
Cottonseeds Sept—	
Opening	28 0 0
Highest	28 2 0
Lowest	27 14 0
Closing	28 1 0
Cottonseeds Jan—	
Opening	22 2 0
Highest	22 6 0
Lowest	22 2 0
Closing	22 5 9

Wheat Liverpool

Liverpool, Aug 21

October	44 1.8d.
December	46 1/2d.
March	48 1/4d.

Wheat Chicago

Chicago, Aug 21

September	dol 0.68 1/8
December	dol 0.67 1/4
May	dol 0.68 3/8

LONDON SUGAR

London, Aug. 21.

December	6s.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Aug. 22.

2 3/4 p.c. 1948-52 Loan	98/2
3 1/2 p.c. G P Notes (Cash)	95/14
3 p.c. 1951-54 Loan	99/10
3 p.c. 1941 Bond	102/3
3 p.c. 1963/65 Loan	97/4
3 1/2 p.c. 1947-50 Loan	103/12
4 p.c. 1943 Bond	107/6
4 p.c. 1960/70 Loan	110/8
4 1/2 p.c. 1955-60 Loan	116
5 p.c. 1940-43 Loan	103/12
TAXFREE LOANS	
5 p.c. 1945-55 Loan	113/8
4 p.c. 1958-63 Mysore Loan	111/12
5 p.c. 1955 Mysore Loan	121/0
CORPORATION DEBENTURES	
4 p.c. B. P. T. 1974	108/0
4 p.c. M. Deb. 1974	107/0
5 p.c. M. Deb. 1959	116/0
6 p.c. M. Deb. 1954	128/0
6 p.c. K. & T. 1955	127/0

Note: Sterling came down by £3/4 and consols by £1 7/8 3 1/2 per cent paper consequently opened at Rs. 95-3 against Rs. 96 yesterday but on news of a Russo-German Non-Aggression Pact gradually recovered to Rs. 95/14 and after a relapse to Rs. 95-11-6 closed at Rs. 95-13 but the tone was quiet and unsettled.

In the afternoon Indian sterling loan was unchanged and Consols improved shippings five. In the local market prices after declining to Rs. 95/1 improved to Rs. 95/10.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Aug. 22.

B. C. RATES—

T T D D 1/5 1/8 to December

LONDON—

Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 29/32 Aug./Oct.

Bank's buying T T 1/5 31/32 Aug. on

Bank's buying D D 1/6 1/32

Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 3/32 to Oct. only

NEW YORK—

Bank's selling T T 287

Bank's buying T T 284 3/4

Bank's buying D D 284

PARIS—

Bank's selling T T 1,309

Bank's buying T T 1,329

JAPAN—

Bank's selling T T 78 1/2

Bank's buying T T 77 1/4

Bank's buying 60 days 77

AMSTERDAM—

Bank's selling D D 64 1/2

JAVA—

Bank's selling D D 64 3/8

HONGKONG—

Bank's selling D D 82 3/4

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D 21 3/4 nominal.

SINGAPORE—

Bank's selling D D 157 7/8

BERLIN—

Bank's selling D D 86

CROSS RATE—

Hongkong/London 1/2 19/32 22nd instant.

Shanghai/London 0/3 31/64 22nd instant.

Japan/London 1/2 1/64 22nd instant

Java/London 3.71 7/8 22nd instant

New York/London 4.68.12 21st instant

London/New York 4.68.13 21st instant

London/Paris 176.70 21st instant

London/Italy 88.02 21st instant

London/Belgium 27.55 7/8 21st instant.

London/Switzerland 20.73 1/8 21st instant.

London/Berlin 11.66 3/4 21st instant.

London/Stockholm 19.39 21st instant.

London/Amsterdam 8.73 21st instant.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Very Steady.

Gold £7-8-7 18th instant.

Gold £7-8-7 21st instant.

Silver London Ready 17 1/8 19th instant.

Silver London Ready 17 9/16 21st instant

Silver London Forward 16 15/16 19th instant.

Silver London Forward 17 3/8 21st instant.

Silver New York Ready 35 5/8 19th instant.

Silver New York Ready 36 3/4 21st instant.

London Discounts 3 months 13/16 per cent 19th instant.

London Discounts 3 months 13/16 per cent 21st instant.

London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 19th instant.

London Discounts 6 months 1 3/8 per cent 21st instant.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money:—Call 1/4 per cent.

3 months 1/2 per cent.

6 months 1 per cent.

Tone:—Very Easy

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, Aug. 21.

Call Loan London	1/2
3 per cent	69 3/4
3 1/2 per cent	82 3/4
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	96
4 per cent 1948/53	102 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	106 3/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	108 3/4
5 per cent 1942/47	105
3 per cent 1949/52	91
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	64
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	89 7/8
4 per cent Funding Loan 1960/90	104 1/4
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordinary	36/6

Produce Receipts

Bombay, Aug 22

Wheat	6,664 cwts.
Linseed	4,182 cwts.
Groundnuts	509 cwts.
Castorseed	564 cwts.
Rice	2,009 cwts.
Cottonseed	2,900 cwts.
Gram	374 cwts.
Barley	3,599 cwts.

New York Sugar

New York, Aug 21

September	1.88
November	1.91
January	1.89
March	1.91

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, Aug 22

Ready Java	Rs. 14 2 6
September shipment	4 12 6
Oct/Dec shipment	4 15 6
Jan/March shipment	5 0 6

LONDON RUBBER

London, Aug. 21.

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb. 8 11/16

Further Drop In Tata Steel Shares

OPERATORS NERVOUS OVER ACUTE EUROPEAN TENSION

Cotton Mill Shares Remain Steady

BOMBAY: August 22.

The local Share Bazar received another rude jerk to-day with the result that Tata Steel shares registered a sharp decline and closed at about the lowest level of the day.

The Gilt-edged Market also lost all confidence and prices recorded sharp declines on heavy nervous unloading. At the decline there was scattered covering.

Acute European political tension unnerved all operators and all Stock Exchanges indicated utter absence of confidence.

U. S. Steel activity is reported 62.2 per cent. against 62.1 per cent. last week and 42.8 per cent. this week last year. But the Wall-Street Market closed weak owing to nervousness over the European situation. U. S. Steel shares declined 1-3/8 at 44 dols., while Anaconda Coppers closed 5/8 at 23-1/4 dols. General Motor shares lost 1-3/4 at 42-7/8 dollars.

In the local market despite small speculative business prices registered sharp declines this week and particularly Tata Steel shares had to suffer much. This was anticipated, as some Taravniwalas were artificially giving support in the hope of controlling the market disregarding outside developments. Now the support is completely withdrawn and the only support is short covering.

It is too early to form any definite opinion as the situation entirely depends upon political developments in Europe and their effects. Private advices indicate no serious turn. All markets are thoroughly liquidated and the technical position is sound. Industrial outlook is in no way affected unfavourably. Thus at the moment all markets are influenced by political developments.

Tata Steel Dfd. shares opened to-day at Rs. 1,290 and improved to Rs. 1,295. At this level there was increased selling pressure and prices declined to Rs. 1,270. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 275 and eased off to Rs. 271.

Cotton Mill shares were comparatively steady and Associated Cements were quiet at Rs. 116-4.

The general sentiment in the market is shaky, but some believe that German-Soviet move for a non-aggression Pact will have considerable influence over European political situation.

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, Aug. 22.

100 Ahmed. Advance	247	8
100 BOM. DYEING	706	4
100 CENTURY	195	0
100 CENTRAL INDIA	196	8
100 COLABA	106	0
100 Coorla	84	0
250 Davio	25	0
250 Dawn	285	0
1 E. D. Sassoon	0	3 6
100 Finlay	88	8
100 GOKAK	126	8
1,000 Hindustan	1660	0
100 Indore	30	12
100 Khatau	81	8
100 KOHINOOR	211	0
250 Laxmi	400	0
250 Madras United	25	0
100 MORARJI	110	8
250 Model	38	8
50 MYSORE	79	4
200 NEW GREAT	171	8
100 Oosmanshahi	41	0
100 PHOENIX	226	4
25 SASSOON SILK	69	4
1,000 Sholapur	2,600	0
50 SIMPLEX	64	8
1,000 SWADESHI	190	8
100 SWAN	82	0
500 Vishnu	1,000	0
1,000 Westerns	850	0
BANKS		
50-100 Baroda XD	98	0
35-50 Central	34	8
500 Imperial	1,527	8
125-500 Imp Conty.	378	12
50-100 India	143	8
100 Reserve Bank	110	0
5 Union	5	13
CEMENTS		
100 ASSOCIATED	116	4
INSURANCE		
100 Empire	640	0
15-100 Jupiter	14	0
20 Mercantile	56	0
15-75 New India	38	4
200 Oriental	4,675	0
10-50 Vulcan	7	1 6
ELECTRIC		
100 Ahd. Old	142	13
1,000 ANDHRA VALLEY	1,455	0
10 Ajmer	10	15
50 BOMBAY TRAM	123	4
100 Bombay Suburban	165	0
10 Broach	10	11
100 Karachi	191	4
100 Poona	183	8
100 Surat	161	4
100 TATA HYDRO	152	8
1,000 TATA POWERS	1,266	4
RAILWAYS		
500 Ahmedabad Prantij	1,003	12
100 C. Province	100	12
100 Dh Baramati	101	8
100 Gujarat	98	8
100 Mandra Bhon	101	8
100 Pachora Jamner	85	8
100 Sara Serajganj	103	8
100 Tapti Valley	780	0
MININGS		
8 Burma Corp.	5	1
2sn. Indian Copper	1	10
10 Indian Iron and Steel	23	12
10 SHIVRAJPUR	30	4
30 TATA STEEL DEFDS.	1,272	8
75 TATA STEEL ORD.	271	0
MISCELLANEOUS		
100 ALCOCK	368	0
10 Air Service	6	0
50 BELAPUR SUGAR	163	8
200 Bombay Safe Dep	602	8
250 BOMBAY STEAM	260	0
125 B. BURMA	451	8
50 B. BURMA CONTY.	155	10
8sh. Br. B. Petrol	3	4 6
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONE	68	3
100 IND BLEACHING	83	0
50 Ind Invest Trust	44	4
100 I Radio Defd	347	8
100 I Radio Ord	340	0
100 Port Canning	74	3
30 PREMIER CON.	70	12
15 Scindia	16	9
25 Tata Oil Mill	34	8
PREFERENCE		
7 p.c Andhra Valley	1.482	8
6 p.c Bombay Steam	297	8
7 p.c. Bombay tram (T.F.) XD77	12	
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.)	560	0

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, Aug. 22.

Bombay Dyeing (706/4) 708 706 705/07

Century (195/8) 196 195

Central India (197) 196 197 195/8

Kohinoor (211) 211 212 211

New Great (171/8) 171/8

Simplex (64/12) 64/12 64/8

Swadeshi (191/8) 191 193/8

Associated Cement (117) 116/8 117 116/4 116/12 116/4

Andhra (1455) 1455

Tram. Ord. (128/8) 128/8

Tata Hydro (153) 153 152/8

Tata Powe (1270) 1263 1268 1265 1266

T. Steel Dfd. (1302/8) 1290 1292 1290 1295 1282 1287 1271 1275 1271 1272

T. Steel Ord. (276) 275 274 272 272

Tata Steel 2nd Pref (164/12) 164/12 164/4

Bellapur (165) 163 164/8 163/8

B. Steam (260) 259 260 261 260

B. Burma (455) 453 454/8 452 454 451/8

WALL STREET-MARKET

New York, Aug. 21.

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following quotations of the New York Stock exchange:—

	Dol.
American Power and Light Common	4
American Power and Light 5 p.c. Pfd	37
Electric Power and Light 7 p.c. Pfd	28
Electric Bond and Share Common	8 1/8
Electric Bond and Share 5 p.c. Pfd	58
Columbia Gas and Electric	7
American Telephone and Telegraph	161
Sun Life of Canada	260
Western Union Telegraph	20 3/4
Great Northern Pfd.	21
Int. Tel. and Tel. (Foreign)	5 2/4
New York Central R.R.	12 5/8
Diggett Myers 'B'	107
Union Carbon and Carbide	75 1/4
Amrex Corporation	21 3/8
Texas Corporation	33 1/2
National Dairy	16
National Cash Register	16
Chase National Bank	31
United States Steel	44
Bethlehem Steel	55
Crucible Steel	28
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	15
Republic Steel	15
U S Smelting	51
Anaconda Copper Mining	23 1/4
Int. Nickel of Canada	46 3/8
Chrysler Motors	77
General Motors	42 7/8
American Radiator	10
General Electric	33 1/2
Lockheed	20 1/2
Woolworth	47
Loews Inc	40 1/2
Radio Corporation	5
Socony	10 7/8
Consolidated Oil	6 3/4

National City Bank of New York 24

Turnover 850,000 shares. Steel production 62.2 per cent against 62.1 per cent last week and 42.8 per cent same period last year. Believe bulls practically liquidated. Market undoubtedly technically stronger. Paris wires "general opinion here political tension liable increase in immediate future but that worst can still be avoided." London wires "while international outlook very difficult opinion inclined to view that there will be no war."

Bombay Yarn Quotations

Bombay, Aug 22

Yarn No. 6 1/2s August 25 October 95 December 95

Yarn No. 10 1/2s August 106 October 109 December 109

Yarn No. 20 1/2s August 136 October 136 December 137

Yarn No. 40s August 208 October 208 December 208

6-1/4 p.c Prem Const 1st	110	4
6-1/4 p.c. Prem Const 2nd	99	8
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	152	8
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Power	1,600	0
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st Pref.	208	12
7½ p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	164	4
7 p.c Vishnu	675	0
DEBENTURES		
3 3/4 p.c Andhra Valley	101	12
6 p.c Andhra Valley	105	0
4 p.c. Bombay Telephone	82	8
7 p.c Sholapur	78	6
6 p.c Tata Hydro	105	6

(Capital Letters indicate Shares on Forward List.)

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Move For Select Committee Fails

FATE OF KARANDIKAR'S POINT OF ORDER

Bombay Assembly Passes Second Reading Of Tenancy Bill

POONA, Aug. 22.

Mr. Morarji R. Desai Revenue Minister moved the second reading of the Bill to Provide for the Protection of Tenants in the province of Bombay.

The Bill is designed to give special protection to tenants. The relations between landlords and tenants in the province of Bombay are governed by the provisions of the Land Revenue Code and the Khoti Settlement Act. But these provisions have been found to be unsatisfactory in several respects Many tenants who have held the same land for generations have not obtained rights of permanency but continue to be tenants at will liable to be deprived of their tenancy at the will of their landlords.

RIGHTS OF LANDLORDS.

The Bill also protects the legitimate rights of landlords. Provision is made for the resumption of the land by the landlord in certain contingencies including non-payment of reasonable rent Provision has also been made to give adequate relief to all classes of tenants in bad years and to free them from the burden of unregulated cesses and demands of all description.

Mr. S. L. Karandikar raised a point of order as to whether the Bill as now presented to the House was in order. The Bill as it had emerged rrom the Select Committee had undergone many vital changes. Several important provisions had been dropped and new ones included.

He submitted that on account of the many omissions and additions incorporated in the Bill the original scope of the Bill had been altogether changed and in view of the material changes it was not proper for the House to consider the Bill. He added that the Bill should be withdrawn, redrafted and then presented to the House.

SPEAKER INTERVENES.

Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, the Speaker, pointed out that it might be possible for some to differ as to whether a particular provision was within the scope of the Bill or not. The proper time to discuss it would be when it came up before the House.

Mr. Karandikar submitted that he was not taking his stand on legality but on parliamentary procedure.

The Speaker: If the member is desirous of taking the stand not on legality but on propriety, then he had better not raise a point of order. He may address the House and urge the rejection of the Bill.

Mr. Karandikar: I am taking my stand on both legality and on parliamentary procedure. My submission is that the object of the Bill has been defeated. Certain changes have been made and the Bill is a new Bill. The Select Committee is not the right forum.

NO POINT OF ORDER

The Speaker in the course of his ruling stated that clause (II) of the rules had laid down that the Select Commmittee shall have power to amend certain clauses as relevant to the subject matter and within the scope of the bill. Mr. Karandikar's contention seemed to be that by including certain provisions and omitting certain others the Select Committee had departed from the principle of the bill or the scope of the bill.

If one were to look at the Bill the scope of the Bill was to give protection to tenants. He did not think that from the beginning it was ever the idea or principle of the Bill to give protection to each and every person who could come under the definition of tenant. What type of protection should be given and to what extent it should be given, those were matters open for the first reading and open to the Select Committee's and if therefore one differed in his views from those of the Select Committee it did not mean that the Select Committee's amendment went beyond the scope of the Bill The Bill was now before the House and it was competent to the House to outvote any particular proposal.

He ruled that there was no point of order.

MOVE FOR SELECT COMMITTEE

Mr. P. W Wagh moved an amendment that the Bill be referred to the Select Committee.

Mr. S. H. Jhabvala, who opposed the motion, said that the whole problem was subjected to serious consideration. The Bill would be effective in many respects. He was against the postponement of a measure that was likely to do some good to the peasants.

The amendment pressed to a division was rejected by 70 votes against 7 votes.

Mr. S. L. Karandikar moved an amendment for referring back the Bill to the Select Committee in respect of ten clauses in the Bill.

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Bombay Legislative Assembly in sessions in Poona. Mr. Mavlankar is seen addressing the Assembly.

Tri-Colour At Attock Bridge

Asaf Ali's Tribute To Pathans As Nation's Guards

PESHAWAR, Aug. 22.

Mr. Asaf Ali, M.L.A. (Central) arrived here yesterday by the Frontier Mail to hold enquiry in the D. I. Khan riots.

Addressing a meeting Mr. Asaf Ali said: "I was very glad at the sight of our national flag, the emblem of India's national integrity, after crossing the Attock Bridge. Then, and then only, I could think that I was amidst one people who are in charge of guarding Babulhind, the gateway of India, and who have proved faithful with the duties entrusted to them by the people of Hindustan."

Dwelling on the international situation, he said war clouds were hanging over Europe, and any day war night break out. A huge amount had been spent on manufacture of arms which must be made use of. India had sympathy with the Democracies that would be involved in war.

The Hon. Dr. Khan Sahib, Premier, in the course of a speech referred to the different political parties on the Frontier. "I have taken no steps against them, lest they should be deprived of their civil liberties. But if they cannot differentiate between liberty and licence, I shall be compelled to take action against them," said the Premier.—United Press.

Frontier Premier In Pursuit Party

PESHAWAR, Aug. 22.

On receipt of information that three absconders were being harboured by a villager in a hill close to Badaber, 15 miles from Peshawar. A pursuit party, headed by Dr Khan Sahib, the Premier went to the spot. Shots were exchanged, in which one dacoit was killed. Two dacoits were put under arrest. Three policemen were injured.—A. P.

DELHI RECEPTION TO ARYA DICTATORS

NEW DELHI, Aug. 22.

A large crowd thronged at the Delhi railway station to accord a reception to the Arya 'Dictators' who arrived here this morning. Several hundred released Arya Satyagrahis travelled with the 'Dictators', who included Mahatma Narainswami Lala Khushalchand Khurshand, Mahashey Krishna, Mr. Chandkaran Sardar, Pandit Ganendra Dhurendranath Sastri and Mr. Vinayak Rao. Representatives of different Arya Samajs in Delhi and New Delhi and the Hon. Mr. G. S. Gupta, Speaker of the C. P. Legislative Assembly, and Lala Deshbandhu Gupta were present at the platform and they profusely garlanded the 'Dictators'.

The 'Dictators' were then taken in a huge procession through the main thoroughfares of the city. The balconies 'en route' were full of women and children who showered flowers on them. The procession terminated at the Diwan Hall.

Public reception will be accorded to the 'Dictators' and released Satyagrahis at a public meeting to be held this evening.—United Press.

Official Initiative To End Strike

PATNA, Aug. 22.

Official initiative is being taken, it is understood, for persuading the workers and the management of the Wire Products Factory at Jamshedpur, where a strike has been going on for more than a month, to agree to arbitration.

If the parties agree, it is understood, and arbitration will be shortly appointed.—A. P.

MIXED CLUBS TO STAY DRY?

Bombay Govt. Rules For Sale Of Liquor To Permit-holders

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Rules regarding the sale of liquor in clubs to permit holders, it is understood will be published by the Government of Bombay in a week's time.

It is most likely that while the clubs which have membership confined exclusively to permit-holders will be allowed to sell liquor to "eligibles" on club premises, the mixed clubs will be required to remain dry.

"RELEASE POLITICALS"

London India League's Appeal To Bengal Govt.

ALLAHABAD, Aug. 22.

Information has been received here that the Indian League (London) convened a conference in London in the second week of August and passed a resolution urging the Government of Bengal to release political prisoners.

By another resolution the conference requested the Secretary of State for India to hold an inquiry into the atrocities committed in Dhami State as also Orissa and Himalayan States.—United Press.

From Simla To Delhi

SIMLA, Aug. 22.

A "communique" states that it has been decided that the Government of India offices will close in Simla on 23rd and re-open at New Delhi on 24th October, 1939. —United Press.

Congress Premiers' Meeting In Poona

UNITED FRONT FOR SHARE FROM CENTRE

Will Review Administration On Basis Of Election Manifesto

POONA, August 22.

Prime Ministers of seven Congress governed provinces are meeting at Yerovda House here at two p.m. on Thursday to review the work of the various Congress Provincial Governments and to discuss and consider questions of common interest.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Chairman of the All-India Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee will preside over the conference which will be attended by seven out of the eight Congress Premiers namely Mr. B. G. Kher, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant, Pandit Ravishankar Shukla and Mr. Biswanath Das, and Mr. Gopinath Bardoloi.

Dr. Khan Saheb, the Premier of the N. W. F. P. has telegraphed to the Chairman of the All-India Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee that owing to pressure of work he will not be able to attend the forthcoming conference of Congress Premiers.

The main work before the Conference will be to review the work of the Congress Ministries during the last two years in the light of the Congress Election Manifesto and see how far the programme and policy enunciated therein have been implemented. The Conference will consider questions and problems of common interest, such as labour programme, industrial programme, agricultural relief, debt relief, land revenue reduction, taxation proposals, prohibition programme, fresh sources of taxation, communal problem and legislative measures yet to be undertaken.

The various Prime Ministers are expected to narrate their individual experienes in their respective provinces in regard to each one of the questions mentioned above, and make their own suggestions for a common policy for the future.

The most outstanding question that will engage the attention of the Conference is the question of taxation proposals 'vis a vis' fresh sources of taxation. In this connection, the Congress Working Committee's lead to the Provincial Congress Governments to demand a greater share of income from the Centre is expected to be considered in greater detail, and some common demands will be formulated. The question of completing the Prohibition programme within the three years' time limit will engage the serious attention of the Premiers' Conference.

FOUR DAYS SESSION.

The Conference will last four days and will sit both in the mornings and afternoons.

Arrangements are being made here for the accommodation of the seven Premiers.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Chairman of the Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committe is expected to arrive here on Wednesday afternoon by the Madras Express. Mr. J. B. Kripalani, the General Secretary of the A. I. C. C. will also attend the Conference, while Babu Rajendra Prasad, Congress President and Member of the Parliamentary Sub-Committee and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, another member will not be able to attend, owing to their being engaged in other work.—A. P

CLASH AT BAFFA

Police Resort To Firing To Disperse Mob

PESHAWAR, Aug. 22.

One man was killed and another injured as a result of police firing to disperse a turbulent mob, in Baffa, 26 miles from Abbottabad.

It is stated that while a meeting was being held under the auspices of the Muslim League, anti-League slogans were raised by a Kisan party who held another meeting close by. This led to the throwing of stones at each other. The police had to resort to firing to quell the disturbances.

A Deputy Superintendent of Police was seriously injured, while dispersing the mob.—United Press.

BANNU, Aug. 22.—A military lorry was fired at by tribesmen near Bannu. No casualties are reported.—United Press.

SWARAJ MEANT FOR MASSES

Jawahar's Message To Harijan Congress

NEW DELHI, Aug. 21.

"We talk of Swaraj and have worked for it for many years but we must realise what this Swaraj means. It must mean the Swaraj for the millions of India and not for the handful. It must mean the lightening of their burden and restrictions. It must mean the ending of social and economic burden of the so-called Depressed Classes in India by higher classes."

Thus said Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in the course of a message to the All India Depressed Classes National League Conference which commenced here last evening with Mr. Karan Singh Kane, Parliamentary Secretary to the Education Minister of the United Provinces in the chair.

Delegates from the U.P., C.P., Madras, Bengal, the Punjab, Gujarat, Bihar and Delhi participated in the conference.—United Press.

RAJKOT STATE MILL CLOSES NIGHTSHIFTS

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, Aug. 22.

Rajkot State Police Superintendent, Dilipsinghji, has been reverted to Agency service. He is handing over charge to Kumar Shri Mahendrasinhji, who is holding the post of Assistant Police Superintendent.

Drizzling of rain recorded approximately 10 cents last night in surrounding villages.

One Ayar was murdered at village Munjka in Rajkot State.

Night shift in State cotton mill has been discontinued from yesterday.

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